

REQUEST FOR STATE BOARD WAIVER

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Date: March 20, 2017

Name of Board Member or Former Board Member: Donald A. Kirkegaard

Name of Board, Authority or Commission: South Dakota Board of Education

Brief explanation of your potential conflict of interest:

*I am the superintendent of the Meade School District, which receives state aid money through the Department of Education, as all school districts in South Dakota do.*

Brief explanation of the current or anticipated business transaction with a State agency or with a political subdivision of the State and your role in the transaction:

*The school district has entered into two state aid pledge agreements with the Department of Education, the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority, and The First National Bank in Sioux Falls. The purpose of these agreements is to provide additional security for bonds issued by Meade School District in accordance with SDCL 13-19-27 and 1-16A-97.*

Brief explanation of the essential terms of the contract or transaction:

*The agreements provide, via certain requirements and conditions, that in the event of a delinquency by Meade School District in making bond payments, state aid pledged to Meade School District may be intercepted to cure the delinquencies.*

Brief explanation of why you believe a waiver should be granted:

*The district is required to abide by the terms of the agreements, which are made available on open.sd.gov. Meade School District is not receiving preferential treatment in entering into the agreements, which are permitted under SDCL 13-19 and 1-16A. The purpose of the agreements is to secure funds to provide services to students and is therefore in the public interest. The South Dakota Board of Education does not have oversight over the associated funding.*

Signature of Person Requesting Waiver: \_\_\_\_\_