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STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S DEMURRER TO CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT (RG14727139)

#### NOTICE OF DEMURRER TO COMPLAINT

## TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES HEREIN AND TO THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on September 23, 2014, at 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, in Department 17 of the above-entitled Court, located at 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, California, 94612, defendant State of California (the State), will and hereby does move this court for an order sustaining the demurrer of the State to the Class Action Complaint (Complaint), without leave to amend, and to enter an order of dismissal as to the State.

The State's demurrer to the Complaint is brought pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10(e), on the ground that the Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to state a cause of action against the State because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

This demurrer is based on the pleadings and records on file herein, this notice of demurrer, the attached demurrer, the attached memorandum of points and authorities, all pleadings, papers, and records on file herein, the concurrently filed request for judicial notice, and such argument and judicially noticeable evidence that may be presented before or at the hearing on the demurrer.

Dated: August 6, 2014

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#### DEMURRER TO COMPLAINT

Defendant State of California (the State) hereby demurs to the Class Action Complaint (Complaint). This demurrer to the Complaint, authorized pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure sections 430.10 through 430.70, inclusive, is made on the following specific grounds:

#### Demurrer to Entire Complaint

1. The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10, subdivision (e), because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

Demurrer to First Cause of Action: Violation of the Equal Protection Clauses of the California

Constitution, Article I, Section 7(a) & Article IV, Section 16(a) (Fundamental Interest)

1. The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10, subdivision (e), because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

Demurrer to Second Cause of Action: Violation of the Equal Protection Clauses of the California

Constitution, Article I, Section 7(a) & Article IV, Section 16(a) (Suspect Class)

1. The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10, subdivision (e), because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

Demurrer to Third Cause of Action: Article IX, Sections 1 and 5 of the California Constitution

1. The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10, subdivision (e), because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

# Demurrer to Fourth Cause of Action: Violation of Article I, Section 7(b) of the California Constitution:

1. The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 430.10, subdivision (e), because the State is not a necessary or proper party.

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#### MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

#### INTRODUCTION

Plaintiffs are students at seven public schools, located in four school districts in the state. (Class Action Complaint (Complaint), ¶¶ 2, 24-30.) They allege that they have been denied their right under the California Constitution "to receive an education that is not substantially inferior to the education received by other students in California public schools," because they allegedly have received less "meaningful learning time" than students in most other public schools. (Id., ¶ 2-3.) The Complaint fails to state facts sufficient to state a cause of action against defendant State of California (the State) because the State is not a necessary or proper party here. Nowhere in the Complaint do plaintiffs make any allegations regarding alleged constitutional violations against the State as distinct from defendants State Board of Education, California Department of Education, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Assuming arguendo that plaintiffs can prove that they are entitled to an injunction and/or declaratory relief against any state-level defendant based on their constitutional challenge, the proper defendants would be the state education agencies and public officer, which administer education in the State and already are parties here. The State therefore respectfully requests that the Court sustain its demurrer and dismiss it from this case.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

#### A. Plaintiffs' Allegations and Relief Sought

In their Complaint, filed on May 29, 2014, plaintiffs primarily allege that they have received less "meaningful learning time" than students in most other public schools in the state. They contend that, as a result, they have been denied their right under the California Constitution "to receive an education that is not substantially inferior to the education received by other students in California public schools." (Complaint,  $\P$  2-3.) They also contend that they have been denied "access to the minimum level of learning time adequate to obtain the basic educational services to which they are entitled under the state Constitution." (*Id.*,  $\P$  3.)

Plaintiffs allege four causes of action for violations of various articles of the California Constitution, a fifth cause of action for violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth

Amendment of the United States Constitution, a sixth cause of action for violation of Government Code section 11135, and a seventh "cause of action" requesting declaratory relief. (*Id.*, ¶ 186-203.) They seek injunctive and declaratory relief in their Complaint. (*Id.*, "Request for Relief," pp. 70-71.) Specifically, they seek an injunction "prohibiting the Defendants and their officers, agents, and employees from continuing to ignore the loss of meaningful learning time in Plaintiff's schools and from continuing to operate a constitutionally inadequate monitoring system that fails to: (a) monitor the meaningful learning time delivered by Plaintiffs' schools, taking into account the identified factors that cause loss of meaningful learning time in Plaintiffs' schools; and (b) intervene in a timely manner when schools fall below the statewide standard for meaningful learning time to restore instruction time and prevent and remedy the causes of lost learning time." (*Id.* at p. 70.) They also seek a declaratory judgment that defendants' alleged "actions and inactions" complained of in their Complaint violate their rights under various provisions of the California Constitution, the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and California Government Code section 11135. (*Id.* at p. 71.)

B. The State Board of Education, the California Department of Education, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson Are Defendants

Plaintiffs have separately named the relevant state education entities and public officer as defendants. Specifically, they named the State Board of Education (SBE), the California Department of Education (CDE), and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson (Torlakson) (collectively, the "State Education Defendants.") (Complaint,  $\P$  33-37). They allege that SBE and its members "are responsible for determining the policies governing California's schools and for adopting rules and regulations for the supervision and administration of all local school districts." (Id.,  $\P$  33.) They further allege that SBE "is required to supervise local school districts to ensure that they comply with State and federal law requirements concerning educational services." (Ibid.) Likewise, plaintiffs contend that CDE "is the department of State government responsible for administering and enforcing laws related to education." (Id.,  $\P$  34.) They also allege that "pursuant to California Education Code Sections 33300-16, the State Department of Education is responsible for revising and updating budget

manuals, forms, and guidelines; cooperating with federal and state agencies in prescribing rules and regulations, and instructions required by those agencies; and assessing the needs and methods of collecting an disseminating financial information." (*Ibid.*)

Finally, plaintiffs allege that Torlakson, as the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Secretary and Executive Officer for the State Board of Education, and Chief Executive Officer of the California Department of Education, "is obligated to take all necessary steps to ensure that school districts comply with the California Constitution and State laws." (*Id.*, ¶ 35.) They also contend that "pursuant to California Education Code sections 33301-03, he is the Director of Education in whom all executive and administrative functions of the California Department of Education are vested." In addition, they state that "pursuant to California Education Code Section 33112(a), he shall superintend the schools of this state," and is "responsible for ensuring that children within the State of California receive a free and equal public education." (*Ibid.*)

#### STANDARD OF REVIEW

A complaint must state facts sufficient to justify granting the relief sought. (Code Civ. Proc., § 430.10, subd. (e).) A complaint that fails to allege facts sufficient to justify relief is subject to a general demurrer. (Gong v. Fremont (1967) 250 Cal.App.2d 568, 573.) A demurrer may be based not only on the allegations in the complaint, but also on matters which may be judicially noticed. (Code Civil Procedure, § 430.30, subd. (a); Blank v. Kirwan (1985) 39 Cal.3d 311, 318.) In testing the sufficiency of the complaint, a court deems true all material facts properly pled and those facts that may be implied or inferred from those expressly alleged. (Marshall v. Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher (1995) 37 Cal.App.4th 1397, 1403.) However, a court will not assume the truth of contentions, deductions or conclusions of fact or law, and the court may disregard allegations that are contrary to law, or are contrary to a fact of which judicial notice may be taken. (Zelig v. County of Los Angeles (2002) 27 Cal.4th 1112, 1126.)

#### **ARGUMENT**

The State demurs to the Class Action Complaint (Complaint) because it fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against the State. (Code Civ. Proc., § 430.10, subd. (e).)

Plaintiffs' Complaint fails to state a claim against the State because the State is not a necessary or proper party to this litigation. Accordingly, the State should be dismissed from this action.

## I. THE STATE IS NOT A PROPER DEFENDANT HERE BECAUSE ONLY STATE OFFICERS AND ENTITIES WITH STATEWIDE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS UNDER A CHALLENGED STATUTE ARE PROPER PARTIES

The State is not a proper party to this litigation. Plaintiffs' claims are based on the alleged deprivation of the Constitutional rights of students at seven public schools based on the lack of access to the "minimum level of learning time adequate to obtain the basic educational services to which they are entitled," including the alleged failure of the existing monitoring system, set forth in Education Code provisions pertaining to instructional time, to adequately ensure that instructional time is "meaningful" at the seven schools that plaintiffs attend. (Complaint, ¶ 2-20.) They seek declaratory and injunctive relief, which would require, among other things, that the "Defendants and their officers, agents, and employees" cease from "continuing to operate a constitutionally inadequate monitoring system" that fails to monitor "meaningful learning time" and fails to "intervene" when schools fall below the "statewide standard for meaningful learning time." (Complaint, at pp. 70-71.)

It is a "long-established rule that in actions for declaratory and injunctive relief challenging the constitutionality of state statutes, state officers with statewide administrative functions under the challenged statute are the proper parties defendant." (Serrano v. Priest (1976) 18 Cal.3d 728, 752; accord, San Francisco NAACP v. San Francisco Unified School Dist. (N.D. Cal. 1979) 484 F.Supp. 657, 665 ["administrative officers possess the requisite governmental interest to enable them adequately to advance the position of the State"] [reversed on other grounds by San Francisco NAACP v. San Francisco Unified School Dist. (9th Cir. 1990) 896 F.2d 412].) This long-established rule also has been applied in actions for declaratory and injunctive relief asserting the violation of a duty. (See, e.g., San Francisco NAACP v. San Francisco Unified School Dist., supra, 484 F.Supp. at p. 665 ["[a]]though the case at bar does not present a constitutional attack on legislation, it does, as in Serrano, challenge the administration of the educational system by state officers. If state officers are proper defendants in a challenge to legislation, the creation and existence of which is within the authority of the Legislature and

Governor, a fortiori, they are proper parties in a suit challenging the administration of law, which falls within their own realm of authority"].)

As part of their Complaint, plaintiffs specifically allege that the Education Code provisions regarding minimum instructional time and fiscal penalties to be assessed against schools that fail to provide the required instructional time are constitutionally inadequate. (Complaint, ¶ 19 [citing Ed. Code, §§ 46200-26208].) They claim that the monitoring system set forth in these Education Code provisions is "perfunctory" because the provisions do not address whether instructional time is "meaningful," and "counterproductive" for the schools because "failure to deliver sufficient instruction time is penalized by the withholding of funds." (*Ibid.*) Thus, the rationale set forth in *Serrano v. Priest* applies here – the state officer and entities charged with administering the Education Code provisions at issue regarding instructional time are the proper state-level defendants (if any), not the "State of California." (*Serrano v. Priest, supra*, 18 Cal.3d at p. 752.)

The State Board of Education (SBE), California Department of Education (CDE) and Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson (Torlakson) — all parties here — are the State agencies and public officer with statewide administrative functions pertaining to the state education policies at issue here, including, among other things, Education Code sections 46200 et seq., regarding instructional time that schools must provide, fiscal penalties to be assessed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction against districts for failure to provide the required instructional time, and potential waivers of the fiscal penalty by SBE in certain circumstances.

Plaintiffs allege that CDE is "the department of the State government responsible for administering and enforcing laws related to education." (Complaint, ¶ 34.) They further allege that "pursuant to California Education Code Sections 33300-16, the State Department of Education is responsible for revising and updating budget manuals, forms, and guidelines; cooperating with federal and state agencies in prescribing rules and regulations, and instructions required by those agencies; and assessing the needs and methods of collecting and disseminating financial information." (*Ibid.*)

SBE is the governing and policy-making body for CDE. (*State Bd. of Education v. Honig* (1993) 13 Cal.App.4th 720, 762; see also Ed. Code, §§ 33030-33031.) Among other things, CDE provides staff for SBE. (*State Bd. of Education v. Honig, supra*, 13 Cal.App.4th at p. 759.) Plaintiffs allege that SBE and its members "are responsible for determining the policies governing California's schools and for adopting rules and regulations for the supervision and administration of all local school districts." (Complaint, ¶ 33.) They further allege that SBE "is required to supervise local school districts to ensure that they comply with State and federal law requirements concerning educational services." (*Ibid.*)

Finally, as CDE's executive, the Superintendent of Public Instruction executes SBE policies. (*State Bd. of Education v. Honig, supra* 13 Cal.App.4th at p. 762; Ed. Code, § 33111; see also Ed. Code, §§ 33301-33303.) Plaintiffs allege that Torlakson, as the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Secretary and Executive Officer for the State Board of Education, and Chief Executive Officer of the California Department of Education, "is obligated to take all necessary steps to ensure that school districts comply with the California Constitution and State laws." (*Id.*, ¶ 35.). They also allege that "pursuant to California Education Code sections 33301-03, he is the Director of Education in whom all executive and administrative functions of the California Department of Education are vested." In addition, they state that "pursuant to California Education Code Section 33112(a), he shall superintend the schools of this state," and is "responsible for ensuring that children within the State of California receive a free and equal public education." (*Ibid.*)

Given their respective roles with regard to the state education provisions and policies at issue here, including those pertaining to instructional time, CDE, SBE and Torlakson would be the proper state-level parties, to the extent any state-level entities or officers are proper parties.

### II. THE STATE – AS DISTINCT FROM ITS AGENCIES OR OFFICERS – IS NOT A PROPER DEFENDANT FROM WHICH RELIEF MAY BE GRANTED

Plaintiffs have sued the "State of California" in addition to CDE, SBE, and Torlakson. The California Supreme Court has held that, in claims for writ or injunctive relief, the "State" – as distinct from an agency or officer – is not a proper party defendant as to which relief may be

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granted. (*State v. Superior Court* (1974) 12 Cal.3d 237, 255.) In *State v. Superior Court*, developers sued the State, the California Coastal Zone Conservation Commission, and two Commission employees, seeking a writ of mandate, declaratory, and injunctive relief, based on the denial of a permit and the alleged unconstitutionality of the California Coastal Zone Conservation Act. (*Id.* at pp. 243-244.) The court sustained the State's demurrer because the plaintiffs made no allegations establishing any right to relief against the State "as distinguished from the Commission acting as its agent." (*Id.* at p. 255.)<sup>1</sup>

Similarly, here, because the "State" can only act through its agencies and officers, it is not a proper party defendant from which relief may be obtained. SBE, CDE, and Torlakson are defendants, and are the agencies and officers charged with implementing and administering California's education system. Nowhere in the Complaint do plaintiffs make any allegations against the State as distinct from SBE, CDE and Torlakson. Nor do they seek any remedy that could only be provided by the "State" as distinct from the State Education Defendants.

Specifically, plaintiffs seek an injunction "prohibiting the Defendants and their officers, agents, and employees from continuing to ignore the loss of meaningful learning time in Plaintiff's schools and from continuing to operate a constitutionally inadequate monitoring system that fails to: (a) monitor the meaningful learning time delivered by Plaintiffs' schools, taking into account the identified factors that cause loss of meaningful learning time in Plaintiffs' schools; and (b)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The State anticipates that plaintiffs will rely on Butt v. State of California (1992) 4 Cal.4th 668, to argue that the State is a proper defendant. But the case does not stand for the proposition that the State is a proper or necessary party-defendant here. In *Butt*, parents of school children enrolled in a unified school district filed a class action for injunctive relief against the State and the district's board of education, seeking to prevent the district from closing its schools six weeks before the official end of the school year due to a projected revenue shortfall. (Id. at p. 674.) Although plaintiffs named the State as a party in addition to state entities, the Supreme Court did not address whether the State, apart from any state-level agency or officer, was a proper party in that case, nor is there any indication that the issue was ever raised. By law, a decision does not stand for a proposition not considered by a court. (Nolan v. City of Anaheim (2004) 33 Cal.4th 335, 343; Personnel Commission v. Barstow Unified School District (1996) 43 Cal.App.4th 871,880-881.) Thus, Butt does not support any contention that the State is a proper party-defendant here. Butt is also inapposite because the Supreme Court's statement that the "State" bears the "ultimate authority and responsibility to ensure that its district-based system of common schools provides basic equality of educational opportunity," was meant to distinguish between state-level and district-level responsibility, not between various state-level entities or officers. (Butt v. State, supra, 4 Cal.4th at p. 685.)

intervene in a timely manner when schools fall below the statewide standard for meaningful learning time to restore instruction time and prevent and remedy the causes of lost learning time." (*Id.* at p. 70.) Whatever plaintiffs mean by "a constitutionally inadequate monitoring system" and "statewide standard for meaningful learning time," they have named the State agencies and officer with statewide responsibilities for the educational system in California. Operation of a "monitoring system" regarding instructional time would be conducted by the relevant state agency, not the "State" in general. Likewise, any "intervention" would need to be performed by the relevant state education agency or officer, not the "State."

Should plaintiffs prevail on their claim that the alleged denial of "meaningful learning time" violates their constitutional rights, they would need to obtain the relief they seek from one or more of these Executive Branch entities/officer, not the "State." To the extent plaintiffs are seeking any relief pertaining to the development of an "adequate" system that monitors a "statewide standard for meaningful learning time" that could *not* be accomplished by SBE, CDE, and Torlakson, such relief could only be accomplished through legislation. Moreover, the Separation of Powers doctrine forecloses any argument that separately naming the "State" as a defendant, in addition to the State Education Defendants, can bind the Legislature as a party and allow the Court to force it to enact specific legislation to remedy the alleged constitutional violations. (*Serrano v. Priest, supra*, 18 Cal.3d at p. 751 [recognizing the "well-established principle, rooted in the doctrine of separation of powers (Cal. Const., art III, § 3), that the courts may not order the Legislature or its members to enact or not to enact . . . specific legislation"].) In sum, the "State" is both an improper and unnecessary party.

## III. RETAINING THE "STATE" AS A SEPARATE NAMED DEFENDANT HERE RAISES PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES

Treating the "State" as a separate party distinct from SBE, CDE and Torlakson presents a number of practical difficulties. The "State" does not maintain any records separate and apart from its agencies and officers, which are responsible for maintaining their own records. (*People ex rel. Lockyer v. Superior Court* (2004) 122 Cal.App.4th 1060, 1078-1080.) Because of state agencies" "separate organization, duties and powers," for discovery purposes, the "State" is not

deemed to be in control of documents created or possessed by those agencies. (*Id.*) Here, with respect to discovery, there is no one to verify responses to discovery on behalf of the "State of California" or to produce as a deponent. Nor are there any documents in the possession, custody or control of the "State of California," pertaining to the matters at issue in this litigation, separate and apart from any documents that may be in the possession, custody or control of a state agency or officer. Given the separate representations of the "State" and the State Education Defendants, there is no discovery available for the "State" to provide on its own behalf; everything is in the hands of the state education entities and officer, separately represented by the law firm Remcho, Johansen and Purcell, LLP. (Request for Judicial Notice, Exh. A.)

And this is not just a difficulty in the abstract. Plaintiffs have served notices seeking documents and to depose the "person most qualified" from the "State of California." (Request for Judicial Notice, Exh. B.) As set forth the objections and response served by counsel for the "State," the "State" does not possess any of the documents sought, separate and apart from any state agencies or officer. Nor does the "State," separate and apart from any state agency or officer, have any custodian of records or any individual to be deposed as the "person most qualified." (Request for Judicial Notice, Exh. C.) Plaintiffs must seek such documents from the state education defendants SBE, CDE, and/or Torlakson (or through serving subpoenas to the extent they seek documents from any non-party state agencies or officers), not the "State of California." (*People Ex Rel. Lockyer v. Superior Court, supra,* 122 Cal.App.4th at pp. 1078-1080.) And, in fact, plaintiffs have noticed the "person most qualified" depositions of SBE and CDE, which are currently scheduled to take place on September 10 and 11, 2014. (Request for Judicial Notice, Exhs. C, D.) Accordingly, there is no need to retain the "State" as a defendant here for discovery purposes.

Moreover, because the State is represented by the Attorney General's office and the State Education Defendants are separately represented by outside counsel, requiring the "State" to remain in this action would create duplicative and unnecessary costs to the office, and wasteful service and other administrative obligations for the parties and the court. This additional burden

and cost can easily be avoided, without any prejudice to plaintiffs, by dismissing the State as a 1 2 separately named defendant. 3 In sum, SBE, CDE, and Torlakson are separately represented parties here and, to the extent the court issues any injunctive or declaratory relief against state-level defendants, they would be 4 the proper parties to provide such relief. Accordingly, there is no need, nor is it proper, for the 5 6 "State" to remain a defendant in this lawsuit. 7 CONCLUSION 8 For the foregoing reasons, the State is not a necessary or proper defendant. This Court should, therefore, sustain the State's demurrer without leave to amend and dismiss it from this 9 10 action. 11 Dated: August 6, 2014 Respectfully Submitted. 12 KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California 13 SUSAN M. CARSON Supervising Deputy Attorney General 14 muge Burth of 15 16 JENNIFER A. BUNSHOFT Deputy Attorney General 17 Attorneys for State of California 18 SF2014408844 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

#### **DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY OVERNIGHT COURIER**

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On August 6, 2014, I served the attached:

- [1] NOTICE OF DEMURRER OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT;
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