

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY

MOTION

Homeless encampments adjacent to school facilities continue to interfere with the City's mission of safe and clean routes to schools.

State of California Penal Code Section 626 defines "Safe School Zones" as property within 1,500 feet of a school. This Zone allows for the empowerment of principals, selected representative, school police and/or security or local law enforcement to restrict the presence of any individual without lawful business to be on campus or adjacent public property. If the presence or actions of said individual(s) interfere with the peaceful school or pupil activities during regular school hours, or within 60 minutes before or after the school day, or 60 minutes before or after a school-sponsored activity at the school site; individual must leave immediately (or be arrested).

Under State of California Penal Code Section 626, the Los Angeles Unified School District has designated 1,000 feet as Safe School Zone for all schools under their jurisdiction.

California Penal Code Section 626 does not impinge upon the lawful exercise of constitutionally protected rights of freedom of speech or assembly.

The City of Los Angeles has an urgent responsibility to assist and support our schools and pupils to ensure safe and clean routes to schools and enforcement of California Penal Code Section 626.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation prioritize and complete encampment clean ups on sidewalks and parkways adjacent, and within 1,000 feet near a school.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Department report back in 30 days detailing the operational enforcement of California Penal Code Section 626 to include but not limited to schools without school police like charter and private schools specifically as it relates to homeless encampments.

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