DATE: January 15, 2003

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor
    The Honorable Emil Jones, Senate President
    The Honorable Frank Watson, Senate Minority Leader
    The Honorable Michael J. Madigan, Speaker of the House
    The Honorable Tom Cross, House Minority Leader

FROM: Robert E. Schiller
       State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: 2002 State Board of Education Catalogue of Reports

The School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.87) requires the State Board of Education to submit annually to the General Assembly and Governor a "catalogue containing each report which the State Board of Education was required to make during the preceding 12-month period to the General Assembly or to the General Assembly and Governor."

During calendar year 2002, fourteen reports were submitted to the General Assembly and Governor in compliance with statutory provisions. These reports contain a variety of topical areas which are useful to lawmakers in considering the effectiveness of educational programs.

This catalogue identifies the material that was formally transmitted to meet legal requirements. We also welcome requests for information regarding elementary and secondary education from individual legislators at any time.

For additional copies of any of these reports, or for more specific information about any of the items, contact Governmental Affairs in the Springfield office, telephone 217/782-6510.

cc: Clerk of the House
       Secretary of the Senate
       Legislative Research Unit
       State Government Report Center

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CATALOGUE OF REPORTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GOVERNOR

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2001 CATALOGUE OF REPORTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
The Illinois School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.87) requires the State Board of Education to submit annually to the General Assembly and Governor a catalogue containing each report that the State Board of Education was required to make during the preceding 12-month period. This annual report highlights the seventeen reports sent to the General Assembly during calendar year 2001.

EDUCATOR SUPPLY AND DEMAND
In compliance with 105 ILCS 5/2-3.11c, this report addresses the relative supply and demand for education staff of Illinois public schools. Specifically, the report provides information on 1) the relative supply and demand for teachers, administrators and other certificated, and non-certificated personnel by field, content area and levels; 2) state and regional analyses of fields, content areas and levels with an over/under supply of educators; and 3) projections of likely high/low demand for educators in a manner sufficient to advise the public, individuals and institutions regarding career opportunities in education. Additional information is provided on workforce composition, retirement projections for educators, and attrition rates.

2001 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT & FY 03 BUDGET BOOK
This report, submitted in compliance with three statutes (105 ILCS 5/1A-4E, 2-3.47 and 2-3.11), is presented in three parts. Part I provides a discussion of Illinois education in relation to five goal areas for improvement: student performance, access to quality education, the education workforce, learning environments and educational accountability/continuous improvement. Part II provides information about each program for which state or federal funding is being requested by the State Board of Education in FY2003. Part III provides demographics and other data about Illinois education.

PRIVATE BUSINESS & VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS' SCHOOL VISITATION REPORT
This report lists private business and vocational school names, addresses and visitation dates and complaints for the period January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2001.

ROUND LAKE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT PANEL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Briefly, the panel recommends that a finance authority be established and empowered, similar to the one that was enacted for Chicago S.D. #299 in 1995. The deteriorating finances of Round Lake District #116 seriously imperil the education of close to 6,000 students. Strong, decisive action must be taken to correct this situation, and panel members believe this is the most prudent option. Dissolving the district would place a burden on neighboring districts that might be enough to bankrupt them as well.

CUMULATIVE MANDATE WAIVER REPORT
This report lists all waivers and modifications approved by either the General Assembly or the State Board of Education by topic area, listing the number and percentage of school districts for which the waiver or modification has been granted. In addition, the report contains recommendations for changes in law for those frequently requested waivers or modifications that have been approved.
EDUCATIONAL MANDATES ENACTED IN 2001
The State Board of Education, pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/2-3.104, must submit to the Illinois General Assembly by March 1 of each year a report listing “all state mandates applicable to the common schools during the school year covered by the report, excluding only those mandates that relate to school elections.” This report includes a description of the mandate, the date the mandate became effective, cost of implementing the mandate, and whether the mandate exists because of a federal law or regulation. The 2001 report covers all education-related mandates enacted and effective for the school year 2001-02.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST INCENTIVES – ANNUAL REPORT
This report, submitted in compliance with 105 ILCS 125/4, provides (1) a list by school district of all schools, the total student enrollment, and the number of children eligible for free, reduced-price and paid breakfasts and lunches; (2) a list of schools that have started breakfast programs during the past year along with information on which schools have utilized the $3,500 start-up grants and the additional $0.10 per meal increased participation incentives established under Section 2.5 of this Act; (3) a list of schools that have exercised Provision Two or Provision Three under the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1771 et seq.), and a list of schools that have dropped either school lunch or school breakfast programs during the past year and the reasons why.

EDUCATION FUNDING ADVISORY BOARD - Interim Report
Pursuant to the requirements in 105 ILCS 5/18-8.05(M) the Education Funding Advisory Board (EFAB) is to submit recommendations to the Illinois General Assembly for the foundation level and for the supplemental General State Aid grant level for districts with high concentrations of children from poverty. Although the next biennial report is not due until January 2003, this Interim Report was submitted to assist the General Assembly in final deliberations on the FY 2003 education budget.

AFTER-SCHOOL INITIATIVE - JOINT ISBE & DHS MID-PROJECT REPORT
Pursuant to House Resolution 63 and Senate Resolution 70, the Illinois Department of Human Services and the Illinois State Board of Education launched the Illinois After-School Initiative. Details of the work of the Task Force are included in this mid-project report.

SPRING 2002 MANDATE WAIVER REPORT
As required by 105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g, this report summarizes requested waivers of School Code mandates submitted for consideration by the Illinois General Assembly. Included in this report are summaries of requests for waivers and modifications acted upon by the Illinois State Board of Education and of applications that have been returned to school districts or other applicants.

FALL 2002 MANDATE WAIVER REPORT
As required by 105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g, this report summarizes requested waivers of School Code mandates submitted for consideration by the Illinois General Assembly. Included in this report are summaries of waivers and modifications acted upon by the Illinois State Board of Education and of applications that have been returned to school districts or other applicants.

EDUCATION FUNDING ADVISORY BOARD - Biennial Report
Pursuant to the requirements in 105 ILCS 5/18-8.05(M) the Education Funding Advisory Board (EFAB) is to submit recommendations to the Illinois General Assembly for the foundation level and for the supplemental General State Aid grant level for districts with high concentrations of children from poverty. This report presents a comprehensive plan for reform of funding for elementary and secondary education in Illinois.