Agenda Topic: School Code Review

Materials: None

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Purpose of Agenda Item

To update Board members on the status of activity of the Governor’s Commission on Revising the Illinois School Code.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item

Board members will be aware of the status and timelines for completion of School Code revisions.

Background Information

On April 20, 2002, Governor George Ryan signed an executive order creating the Governor’s Commission on Revising the Illinois School Code. It is the purpose of the Commission to conduct a study and analysis of the school code and prepare revisions, eliminating “obsolete, overlapping, and conflicting provisions.” In addition, the Commission is to propose new provisions that address changes in the educational system and make other changes to improve its ease of use. A final report is to be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2003.

Hazel Loucks, Deputy Governor for Education, will provide an overview of the work of the Commission and the process for completing the revisions.