TO: Illinois State Board of Education

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Agenda Topic: Consultation with the Education Funding Advisory Board

Materials: Preliminary EFAB Report, August 2002
Power Point Presentation

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Purpose of Agenda Item
To provide the Board an opportunity to discuss the Preliminary EFAB Report with Bob Leininger, EFAB Chair.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item
The Board will have an understanding of the EFAB recommendations for systemic reform of the elementary and secondary education funding system as they develop their own budget and legislative positions.

Background Information
As part of the most recent general state aid formula re-write in 1997, the General Assembly established the Education Funding Advisory Board, appointed by the Governor, to make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly for the GSA foundation level and the supplemental general state aid grant level for districts with high concentrations of children in poverty. Governor Ryan appointed the EFAB Board including Bob Leininger as Chair. The EFAB has met for several years including extensive public hearing and involvement of education, community and business groups. The State Board has met several times with Bob Leininger to consult about the developed their recommendations.