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The Honorable Eugene W. Hickok  
Secretary  
Department of Education  
Tenth Floor, 333 Market Street  
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Dear Secretary Hickok:

Please be advised that the Senate Education Committee, acting pursuant to section 5.1(d) of the Regulatory Review Act of 1982 (P.L. 633, No. 181), voted on June 13, 2000 to recommend that Department of Education standard #6-264 be disapproved.

By a vote of 9 to 2, the committee voted to recommend disapproval of the standard. The concerns of most of the committee members centered around the propriety of the standard's requirement that students entering a teacher preparation program achieve a cumulative 3.0 grade point average or a 2.8 grade point average and acceptable scores on the PRAXIS, SAT or ACT exams.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

JAMES J. RHOADES  
Chairman

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Cc: The Honorable Allyson Schwartz  
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