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John R. McGinley, Chairman
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
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Dear Mr. McGinley:

It is my pleasure to inform you that at the meeting held on June 30, 2004, the Education Committee reviewed final-form regulations #6-279 of the State Board of Education (Chapter 11: Pupil Attendance). This chapter of the regulations has been under discussion for nearly a year since being introduced in its original form. Many of the changes proposed have come about as a result of revisions to state statutes, implementation of changes to federal law, the need to have the letter of the regulations reflect the spirit of the law, and court decisions.

In accordance with Section 5.1 of Act 181 of 1982, known as the Regulatory Review Act, the Committee approved the final-form of these regulations on June 30, 2004, by a vote of 19 to 5.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Mr. Jim Buckheit, Executive Director of the State Board of Education, for his work on this project, as he once again demonstrated the high standards of excellence set by the State Board.

Sincerely,

Representative Jess M. Stairs
Chairman, House Education Committee

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