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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Utah State Board of Education

FROM: Brad C. Smith
Chief Executive Officer

DATE: June 18-19, 2015

ACTION: USOR Required Reports to the Legislative Fiscal Analyst

Background:

The Legislature intends the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation (USOR), in conjunction with the Utah State Office of Education (USOE) and the Utah State Board of Education (USBE), will provide to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst no later than September 1, 2015:

- 1) A report on the USOR fiscal status for the recently completed Fiscal Year 15, including identification of one-time funding sources used to pay for ongoing services.
- 2) A projection of the USOR fiscal status for State Fiscal Year 2016, including any anticipated uses of one-time funding sources to pay for ongoing services.
- 3) A projection of the USOR anticipated fiscal status for State Fiscal Year 2017, including any anticipated use of one-time funding sources to pay for ongoing services.
- 4) Any anticipated reductions in paid client services for 2015, 2016, or 2017.
- 5) The status of paid client services and numbers affected by reductions, if any.
- 6) The status of the order of selection waiting list and estimated numbers affected, if any.
- 7) The status of federal Maintenance of Effort and its effect on state liability.
- 8) Recommendations regarding the organizational placement of USOR and its subunits in order to provide proper oversight, management and support.
- 9) The history and current status of the Individuals with Visual Impairment Fund.

Key Points:

- Items 1-7 and 9 are achievable and generated by USOR.
- USOR can provide a read ahead to the Board of the submissions for items 1-7 and 9 for review and approval during the August Board meeting.
- Further guidance and action is respectfully requested from the Board specific to their requirements and information for Item #8 during the May Board meeting.

Anticipated Action:

Informational with understanding of possible actions as required by the USBE in order to ensure that the USBE has sufficient information to make an informed decision on the recommended course of action for the organizational placement of USOR.

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