CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

TO BE PROPOSED:

February 1, 2017

RESOLVED, that upon the withdrawal of the Request for Amendment of Regulation Section 10-76d-9, dated November 30, 2016 (Petition), the State Board of Education directs the Department to:

(a) Establish a task force to be known as the *Connecticut State Board of Education Task Force on the Implementation of IEEs, Observation and Related Matters* ("Task Force"), which shall be composed of stakeholders representing the various constituencies affected by the subject matter of the petition and other appropriate parties, as determined by the Commissioner;

(b) Through such Task Force, to undertake a review of the issues raised by the Petition to include, without limitation, public meetings, at which interested parties would be able to express their views on the issues raised in the Petition and in public comment at the State Board of Education meeting of this date concerning Independent Educational Evaluations (IEEs), Observations, and related matters, and formulation of appropriate actions to be taken, if necessary, to address any issues identified in the Task Force's review;

(c) Provide a report back to the State Board of Education concerning the findings and recommendations of the Task Force, within 180 days, provided that nothing in this resolution shall be construed to preclude the Department from conducting its customary regulatory and guidance activities; and

(d) Before the end of this school year, issue a guidance memorandum from the Commissioner to all Connecticut Superintendents and Boards of Education summarizing existing obligations of school districts in respect to IEEs under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and providing notice of the establishment of the Task Force and its charge.

And directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

Approved by a vote of _____, this first day of February, Two Thousand Seventeen.

Signed:

Dianna R. Wentzell, Secretary State Board of Education