

**To: Members of the State Board of  
Education and Early Development**

**January 22, 2026**

**From: Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner**

**Agenda Item: 7**

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♦ **ISSUE**

The board is being asked to approve its annual report to the legislature.

♦ **BACKGROUND**

- AS 14.07.168 requires the State Board of Education and Early Development to provide an annual report to the legislature.
- The statute sets out requirements for a report to the legislature to be made no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> legislative day of each regular session and it must be presented in person.
- The statute further sets out that the report must describe efforts of the board to develop, maintain, and continuously improve a comprehensive quality public education system, as provided for under the bylaws of the board.
- The legislature later added intent language that requested inclusion of the most recent National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) data in the written report.
- The first presentation to the legislature took place in January 2012.
- Behind this cover memo is the final annual report to the legislature, which includes the statute language on page 1.
- Commissioner Bishop will be present to brief the board.

♦ **OPTIONS**

This is a work session item. Action will take place under Agenda Item 14.