Fiscal Data Addendum

to the Summary Report in Response to Special Act 11-9: An Act Concerning a Review of the Cost to Municipalities of State-Mandated Special Education Requirements

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Addendum: State Fiscal Data

The House Debate on Special Act 11-9 indicated the legislature was interested in receiving state fiscal data which addressed issues related to the excess cost grant and the apportionment of special education expenditures over time. The following is submitted in response.

Table 10: State Excess Cost Grant/State Agency Placement Grant										
	Ten Year Effect of the Cap									
Excess Cost wa	Excess Cost was fully funded in 2001-2002, 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 Grant Years									
Grant Year	2010-11	2009-10	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004	2002-2003	2001-2002
Total										
Uncapped	154,835,126	145,728,868	140,025,068	129,782,443	120,133,374	107,777,339	90,770,096	86,042,383	74,908,040	67,271,038
Appropriation										
Total Capped										
Appropriation	120,489,491	120,491,451	140,025,068	129,782,443	106,596,500	88,846,500	67,103,841	61,500,000	62,700,000	67,271,038
Total Effect										
of Cap (\$)	34,345,635	25,237,417	N/A	N/A	13,536,874	18,930,830	23,666,255	24,542,383	12,208,040	N/A
Total Effect										
of Cap (%)	77.82	82.68	N/A	N/A	88.73	82.44	73.93	71.48	83.70	N/A

In addition to the excess cost grant paid out according to the formula, for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 grant years a total of \$19 million dollars over both grant years was redirected from the transportation grants paid to public school districts to the excess cost grant. This was paid by the state as a special education supplemental grant, paid out on a town by town basis and not included in the excess cost grant formula.

For the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 grant years, an additional \$19.3 million dollars is likewise to be redirected from the transportation grants to the excess cost grant and will be paid out on a town by town basis and not included in the excess cost grant formula.

The House also requested information on the "average per pupil cost" factor used to calculate the excess cost and state agency placement grants. Projected for the current grant year are the following averages across DRGs. These are preliminary figures only. If the state were to adjust the "average per pupil expenditure" factor used to calculate the excess cost grant, lowering the factor to capture more local costs would not necessarily result in municipalities receiving additional state funding as long as the state continues to cap the excess cost grant.

Table 11

<i>State (N = 169)</i>	544,203.44	7,621,042,520	14,004
DRG			
A (N = 8)	30,362.72	489,768,431	16,131
B (N = 21)	98,486.61	1,333,169,108	13,537
C (N = 33)	39,195.36	512,806,808	13,083
D (N = 24)	84,994.91	1,120,643,578	13,185
E (N = 36)	26,615.58	369,484,884	13,882
F (N = 16)	29,712.17	381,201,390	12,830
G (N = 15)	68,492.65	937,471,359	13,687
H (N = 9)	71,335.58	971,906,390	13,624
I (N = 7)	95,007.86	1,504,590,572	15,836
Maximum NCEP Minimum NCEP			22,450 10,720

	Table 12: Ten year Federal, state, local portion of special education expenditures										
		State portion	State	Local portion	Local	Federal	Federal	Other	Other		
	unduplicated	of	portion	of	portion	portion of	portion	portion of	Portion		
	special	unduplicated	· ·	unduplicated	percentage	unduplicated	percentage	unduplicated	Percentage		
Total	education	special	(Col2/Col1)	special	(Col4/Col1)	special	(Col6/Col1)	special	(Col8/Col1)		
	expenditures	education		education		education		education	(,		
	(ED001)	expenditures		expenditures		expenditures		expenditures			
2009-	1,644,179,988	460,297,755	28.0	1,000,280,559	60.84	183,084,557	11.14	517,117	0.03		
2010											
2008-	1,548,937,252	513,156,265	33.13	918,114,254	59.27	117,251,969	7.57	414,764	0.03		
2009											
2007-	1,476,076,725	490,336,083	33.22	866,457,805	58.70	118,799,160	8.05	483,677	0.03		
2008											
2006-	1,385,543,537	429,166,836	30.97	837,735,525	60.46	118,246,174	8.53	450,536	0.03		
2007											
2005-	1,309,273,437	409,835,707	31.30	792,754,999	60.55	106,232,195	8.11	450,536	0.03		
2006											
2004-	1,248,462,493	374,367,077	29.99	767,837,927	61.50	105,847,860	8.48	409,629	0.03		
2005											
2003-	1,184,231,684	359,858,719	30.39	731,598,353	61.78	92,477,309	7.81	297,303	0.03		
2004											
2002-	1,118,667,740	357,277,321	31.94	677,733,714	60.58	83,115,320	7.43	541,385	0.05		
2003											
2001-	1,027,664,903	353,807,571	34.43	604,344,920	58.81	69,211,623	6.73	300,789	0.03		
2002											
2000-	944,980,043	331,414,986	35.07	558,406,934	59.09	54,830,490	5.80	327,633	0.03		
2001											