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The Honorable Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
3 West, Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Maggie McIntosh
House Appropriations Committee
121 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: 2016_p104_MSDE_Loaned Educator Report

Dear Senator Kasemeyer and Delegate McIntosh:

This letter is submitted in accordance with the requirements on page 104 of the 2016 Joint Chairmen's Report. The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) is required to report on the number of loaned educator contracts and any conversion of these to regular positions on or before December 15 of each year.

As of December 1, 2018, the MSDE did not engage any new loaned educator contracts. Each of the four remaining Loaned Educator contracts that existed as of December 1, 2015 were ended by June 30, 2016.

The contributions of local experience and expertise that our loaned educators brought to the work of the Department were significant. As needs arise in the future, we may want to explore the future use of a Loaned Educator, while meeting the goal of limiting their involvement to special, short-term projects where local talent is a necessity. As specified in the above referenced report, MSDE will provide a report to the budget committees prior to entering into any new loaned educator contract to provide temporary assistance to the State, and the budget committees will have the opportunity to review and comment on any new contracts.

Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this report, please contact Gayle Secrist, MSDE Chief of Staff, at 410-767-0439 or gayle.secrist@maryland.gov. Thank you for your ongoing efforts on behalf of a strong public education for all of Maryland's children.

Best Regards,

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