

## **Commission to Study School Funding (RSA 193-E:2-e)**

Meeting Agenda (**Revised**)

October 5, 2020, 2-4 pm

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### **2:00 Welcome**

Roll call

Tech check for Commission members and attendees

Chair's comments

Group agreements

Approval of minutes for September 21, 2020 Commission meeting

### **2:15 Updated simulator, including adjustments for cooperative districts (see simulator documentation from Drew Atchison)**

Smoothing enrollment weights to avoid cliff effects (see memo on enrollment weights from Drew Atchison)

### **2:45 Adequacy Workgroup recommendation re: RSA 193-E:2-b, draft language to establish an outcomes-based definition of adequacy and basis for costing adequacy:**

Motion to amend RSA 193-E:2 to reflect a public education funding distribution formula that creates the opportunity to attain comparable educational outcomes for all students. For example, RSA 193-E:2-b might read (subject to final language approved by the Commission and Office of Legislative Services):

“To determine the cost of an opportunity for an adequate education as defined in RSA 193-E:2-a, the general court will apply an Education (or outcomes-based) Cost Model to identify the costs necessary for all students to have a comparable opportunity for an adequate education regardless of student needs or the fiscal capacity of the location of the district in which they are enrolled. The costs necessary to achieve a target outcome may be weighted for individual students whose needs exceed those of the average student and adjusted for district characteristics as defined in XXX... The general court shall make an initial determination of the cost and subsequent funding necessary to support the opportunity for an adequate education as evidenced by measured student outcomes.

The general court shall create a process for the periodic determination of the cost and funding necessary to provide the opportunity for an adequate education. The review should occur no less frequently than every 5 (10?) years.”

### **3:45 Public Comments**

### **4:00 Adjourn**

**Note – October 19 Commission meeting will be extended to 1:00 – 4:30. Do we want to move the Nov. 2 scheduled Commission meeting to Nov. 5? Do we want to add a Commission meeting on Oct. 26, with workgroup meetings moved to later in the week?**

Direct public comments to Commission Chair David Luneau at  
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Next public comment periods: Oct. 7, 4- 5 pm, **dedicated to student/youth voice**; and Oct. 14,  
4-5 pm, open