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The Honorable Martin O'Malley State House 100 State Circle Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Joan Carter Conway, Chairman Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West, Miller Senate Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Sheila E. Hixson, Chairman House Ways and Means Committee Room 131, House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Commission on Special Education Access and Equity (MSAR #9789)

Dear Governor O'Malley, Chairman Conway and Chairman Hixson:

Pursuant to HB1161/Chapter 671, 2013, I am pleased to submit the required report on the actions of the Commission on Special Education Access and Equity which includes recommendations and cost estimates for each. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Marcella E. Franczkowski, Assistant State Superintendent, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services at (410) 767-0238 or via email at mfranczkowski@msde.state.md.us. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this timely and informative process.

Sincerely, Lillian M. Forvery

Lillian M. Lowery, Ed.D.

State Superintendent of Schools

c: Marcella E. Franczkowski