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Dear Commissioner Vilaseca:

Below is a link to the Brigham vs. State opinion. This, as well as the complete text for Acts 60, 68, 130, and 82 are important reference materials for committee members as we seek to address education financing and effectiveness in Vermont.

<http://www.faculty.piercelaw.edu/redfield/library/case-brigham.vt.htm>

Here are some helpful links for Act 60/68/130 and 82:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/laws/act68/act68_overview.pdf

<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/legdoc.cfm?URL=/docs/2008/acts/ACT082.htm>

Also, as we consider the impact of governance on education effectiveness and financing, committee members might want to re-read former Commissioners Cate's white paper and any follow-up reports. Below is the link to Commissioner Cate's white paper:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/pubs/governance_white_paper_06.pdf

And the link to Commissioner Cate's "Conversation Agenda," which includes organization charts and a concise description of the current governance structure, is below:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/dept/archived_initiatives/ed_governance/agenda.pdf

Please review and post these to the web site as you see fit.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Schwalbe, Committee Member
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