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The Honorable John H. Chichester  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee  
Virginia General Assembly  
P. O. Box 904  
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22404-0904

The Honorable Vincent F. Callahan, Jr.  
Chairman, House Appropriations Committee  
Virginia General Assembly  
P. O. Box 1173  
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Dear Senator Chichester and Delegate Callahan:

Pursuant to Item 135, paragraph A.4.c.1) of the appropriation act (Chapter 847, 2007 Acts of Assembly), the Department of Education is required to report annually any changes to the composite indices approved by the Governor and the Board of Education resulting from the consolidation of school divisions or local governments.

During the last year, no consolidations have occurred that resulted in requests to revise a local composite index. Consequently, the Governor and the Board of Education have not approved any changes to the composite indices this year. The most recent change, for the consolidation of the Clifton Forge and Alleghany County school divisions, was effective July 1, 2004, as indicated in Item 135, paragraph A.4.c.2) of Chapter 847. Also, the fifteen year period for the adjusted composite index for the Halifax County School Division is still in effect as a result of the consolidation that took place between Halifax County and South Boston from the reversion of South Boston from city to town status.

If you have questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Kent C. Dickey, assistant superintendent for finance, at (804) 225-2025 or [Kent.Dickey@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Kent.Dickey@doe.virginia.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Billy K. Cannaday, Jr. (B.K.)".

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