

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Dear Ms. Wilborn:

Section <u>2.2-208.1</u> of the *Code of Virginia* established the School Readiness Committee, and directed the Board of Education to "review the recommendations of the Committee and submit to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education and Health, in advance of the next regular session of the General Assembly, any comments on such recommendations that the Board of Education deems appropriate."

The Committee has not developed recommendations for the Board of Education to consider, therefore there are no recommendations or related comments to transmit to the Chairmen prior to the 2024 General Assembly session. Chapters <u>8</u> and <u>9</u> of the 2023 Acts of Assembly renames the School Readiness Committee as the Commission on Early Childhood Care and Education and makes several changes to the Commission, including adjusting its purpose, increasing and adjusting its membership, and establishing eight enumerated powers and duties for the Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Velazquez, Assistant Superintendent of Policy at (804) 371-0036.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lisa Coons

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