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MEMORANDUM

TO:

City and County Superintendents

FROM:

Thomas R. Bice

State Superintendent of Education

RE:

Act No. 2014-245

Act No. 2014-245, passed during the 2014 legislative session, removes the authority for "...the Alabama Department of Education, the State Board of Education, or the State Superintendent of Education to license or regulate any private, nonpublic, or church school offering instruction in grades K-12, or any combination thereof". On July 8, 2014, the State Board of Education voted to approve the repeal of the existing rules regulating nonpublic schools.

Although Act No. 2014-245 does little to change the local board of education's responsibility for the mandatory school-age students not enrolled in the public schools, we are providing revised forms to assist in performing the statutory requirements for nonpublic school students.

Enclosed are a summary of the changes relating to nonpublic schools in Act No. 2014-245 and the existing requirements under the school attendance laws for the reporting requirements for nonpublic school students.

If you have questions about the reporting requirements for nonpublic school students, contact Ms. Chris Wilson by calling (334) 353-2154 or via the e-mail address cwilson@alsde.edu.

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