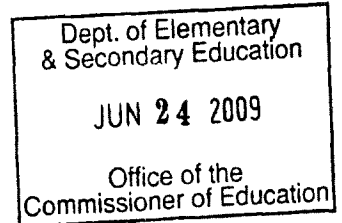




MISSOURI GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JEFFERSON CITY



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Dr. Bert Schulte
Commissioner of Education
P.O. Box 480
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Commissioner Schulte,

This letter is to inform you of the intent of the 95th General Assembly, First Regular Session with regard to the operating appropriation for the Career Ladder Program.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that the FY 2010 appropriation for Career Ladder will be the last appropriation made in arrears for this program. The General Assembly cannot assure that participants in the Career Ladder Program for the 2009-2010 school year and beyond will be supported by state appropriation, and these potential participants should be notified of these changes.

The General Assembly reserves the right to appropriate money for the Career Ladder program for future years in advance of the school year rather than in arrears, if state revenues allow.

Please feel free to contact the staffs of the House Budget Committee or Senate Appropriations Committee for additional assistance.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Allen Icet in black ink.

Allen Icet, Chairman
House Budget Committee

Handwritten signature of Gary Nodler in black ink.

Gary Nodler, Chairman
Senate Appropriations Committee

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