



STATE OF MICHIGAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
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RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BRIAN CALLEY
LT. GOVERNOR

**EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 2016 - 16**

**CREATION OF THE
GOVERNOR'S 21ST CENTURY EDUCATION COMMISSION**

AMENDMENT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 2016-6

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the state of Michigan in the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 authorizes the establishment of temporary commissions or agencies for special purposes; and

WHEREAS, under Section 1 of 1931 PA 195, being MCL 10.51, the Governor may, at such times and for such purposes as the Governor deems necessary or advisable, create special advisory bodies consisting of as many members as the Governor deems appropriate; and

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to present to the Legislature information as to the affairs of the state and recommend measures that he considers necessary or desirable; and

WHEREAS, an educated and knowledgeable population is critical to Michigan's economic and civic vitality and its quality of life; and

WHEREAS, a skilled, credentialed work force capable of sustained success in a global, knowledge-based economy is a necessary outcome of a state's system of education; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's current system of local, regional, and state education entities is over five decades old and was designed primarily to produce a mid-skilled workforce for a manufacturing economy; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's current system of funding education hasn't been modified in over twenty years and there have been significant changes in the state's population and economy since that time; and

WHEREAS, Michigan falls below the national average in critical measures of educational attainment including the number of individuals with college degrees or work-valued credentials; and

WHEREAS, the current system of education is producing significantly disparate achievement results for minority and economically disadvantaged students and a growing

number of students seeking postsecondary credentials require costly remedial coursework in order to continue; and

WHEREAS, Michigan cannot hope to maintain its economic vitality and quality of life without making dramatic gains in the academic achievement and career preparedness of all its residents; and

WHEREAS, the people of Michigan have historically supported and invested in a system of public education to open the doors of educational opportunity and employment to all; and

WHEREAS, we must act now to ensure our system of education, its structure, governance, funding, and accountability, is focused on student achievement and success for the good of all residents and the vitality of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Snyder, Governor of the state of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order the following:

I. AMENDMENT

Section II.C. of Executive Order 2016-6 is amended to read as follows:

No later than February 28, 2017, shall complete its work and issue a final report to the Governor for his consideration.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

All other provisions of Executive Order 2016-6 not specifically amended by this Order shall remain unchanged.

This Executive Order shall become effective upon filing.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the state of Michigan this 30th day of June, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand Sixteen.

RICHARD D. SNYDER
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE
ON 6-30-16 AT 9:51 A.M.

SECRETARY OF STATE