

Listserv Email: May 25, 2011

Below are some resources and materials that may be of interest:

**Update on Senate Bill 1799:** Amendment #3 of Senate Bill 1799, which includes the revised Teacher Leadership Endorsement, is scheduled to be heard in the [House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee](#) tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. If it passes out of Committee, the bill will go for a vote on the house floor. Since amended in the House, the bill will also have to go back to the Senate for concurrence. You can track the bill at: <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/BillStatus.asp?DocTypeID=SB&DocNum=1799&GAID=11&SessionID=84&LegID=57853>

**Illinois' SAMs Conference:** Earlier this month, LUDA held its annual Illinois SAMs conference. Materials from the conference can be found at: [http://www.illinoissams.ilstu.edu/conference\\_info/](http://www.illinoissams.ilstu.edu/conference_info/)

**Recording from Webinars:** Below are recordings or PowerPoint presentations from past webinars posted to the list serv.

- **BUILD Webinar on Early Childhood Data Systems: Linking School Readiness, Early Childhood Systems Building and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading**

- Recorded webinar:

- [http://www.buildinitiative.org/files/audio/Webinar\\_5\\_17\\_11/lib/playback.html](http://www.buildinitiative.org/files/audio/Webinar_5_17_11/lib/playback.html)

- Materials and resources from webinar: <http://www.buildinitiative.org/content/ec-data-systems>

- **UCEA Harnessing Data for Program Improvement Webinar**

- PowerPoint presentation: <http://www.ucea.org/educational-resources/>

**Interesting Articles/Resources:**

- **Classroom Walk-Throughs:** A recent article in the [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#) writes about how more school administrators in Milwaukee are using classroom walk-throughs to observe and evaluate teachers.

- **An International Perspective on Reform:** Through this interview, OECD's Andreas Schleicher, provides his thoughts on the current reform in American public education (see [http://hechingerreport.org/content/how-the-u-s-educational-system-looks-to-a-leading-expert-abroad\\_5750/](http://hechingerreport.org/content/how-the-u-s-educational-system-looks-to-a-leading-expert-abroad_5750/)).

- **What Works Clearinghouse:** Updates have been made to the U.S. DOE What Works Clearinghouse (see <http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/reports/advancedss.aspx>)