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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey

State Superintendent of Education

RE: The Alabama Literacy Act Revisions – FINAL VERSION

The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) and the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI) Section are committed to providing systematic support for implementation of the *Alabama Literacy Act 2019-523*. In response to the recently passed revisions to the *Alabama Literacy Act*, HB430/Act #2023-417, we want to be sure that you are aware of time-sensitive assessments revisions as follows:

"The list finalized by the State Superintendent of Education for the 2021-2022 school year shall be valid for a period of five years, beginning with the date of approval. The vetted and approved list of assessments by the task force shall be valid for a period of three years, beginning with the 2023-2024 school year. Assessments may be added during that time period, but not removed."

For your convenience, see the charts below to understand these specifics more clearly.

Assessments Approved for the 2021-2022 School Year Valid for a Period of Five Years

Memo—April 21, 2021, for:

- Year 1: 2021-2022
- Year 2: 2022-2023
- Year 3: 2023-2024
- Year 4: 2024-2025
- Year 5: 2025-2026
- · aimswebPlus by Pearson Assessments
- mClass Alabama Edition by Amplify
- ISIP by Istation
- STAR Early Literacy and STAR Reading by Renaissance
- iReady Assessment by Curriculum Associates
- MAP by NWEA

Assessments Approved for the 2023-2024 School Year Valid for a Period of Three Years

Memo-June 1, 2022, for:

• Year 1: 2023-2024

Year 2: 2024-2025

• Year 3: 2025-2026

- aimswebPlus by Pearson Assessments
- mClass Alabama Edition by Amplify

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Literacy Leadership Specialist or Mrs. Bonnie Short, ARI Director, by email at bonnie.short@alsde.edu, or by telephone at 334-694-4632.

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