OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: MATERIALS FOR 2/23-2/24 NBPTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE 1/21/01
CC: SIMMONS FILE

You'll find the meeting's agenda on the third page of the black meeting book. Your first function is a buffet lunch at 11:45 Friday morning. Governor Taft will greet the board during Plenary Session I, which begins at 3:00.

You'll find the following materials you'll need for your Outreach and Marketing Working Group under Tab 4 of the meeting book:

- A progress report on state and local action supporting National Board Certification (Tab P); and,
- An executive summary of the working group's communication plan (Tab Q)

I've highlighted the references to Mississippi in these two documents. Among other things, the materials state that:

- Mississippi is 1 of 10 states that produce 2/3s of NBPTS' needed volume (Tab P p. 7 of 11)
- Mississippi is one of six states (NC, SC, FL, GA, MS, AL) comprising the Southeast Region. More than half of the current 9,534 NBCT's live in this region. (Tab P p. 9 of 11)

I've also enclosed three draft standards that will be presented by the Standards and Professional Development Working Group (you do not serve on this working group). As explained in Michael Knab's memo attached to the draft standards, the working group has made some specific changes, pursuant to receiving public comment from educators, to clarify and strengthen the standards. The working group is recommending adoption of these 3 standards.

You are scheduled to give an informal 10-15 minute statement at Friday evening's dinner regarding your commitment to education, teacher quality and National Board Certification. Pat Sinelli of NBPTS said that Michael Marks will probably introduce you.

Have a great trip!