

## A New Beginning?

### The 3 R=s of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (the NEW 3 R=s)

1. RETURN the power to the people
  1. Flexibility for local schools; eliminate bureaucracy
  2. Creativity - give local districts maximum autonomy to allow creativity
  3. Moratorium on new and repeal of old Atop down@ state mandates and governance
  
2. REQUIRE accountability
  1. Hold local school leaders accountable for results
  2. Hold Legislature accountable for funding
  
3. RESTORE stability
  1. Provide long-term, stable funding and resources
  2. Enhance or supplement MAEP with significant new components to be phased in
    1. Annual technology funding line item of \$20 million/year (begin at \$4 million in FY2004, phase in over 5 years)
    2. Annual building/facilities line item \$20 million/year (begin at \$4 million, phase in over 5 years)
    3. Teacher salary adjustments - provide phased-in funding for future salary adjustments indexed to S/E average