

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION
WASHINGTON ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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The Attorney General's Office seeks public input on the following opinion request(s).

**96-12-04 Request by Senator Stephen Johnson and
by Representative Bill Brumsickle, Co-Chairs
Joint Select Committee on Education Restructuring**

1. Under article III, section 22 of the Washington State Constitution:
 - A. What grant of authority and responsibility is given to the Superintendent of Public Instruction?
 - B. May the supervisory authority of the Superintendent of Public Instruction be delegated?
 - C. In light of the responses to A and B above, has the Superintendent of Public Instruction's supervisory authority over the public school system (defined in article IX, section 2) been unconstitutionally delegated by the Legislature or by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to:
 - (1) the State Board of Education;
 - (2) the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges;
 - (3) Educational Service Districts;
 - (4) the Workforce Training and Education and Coordinating Board;
 - (5) the Public for year institutions of education offering teacher preparation programs;or,
 - (6) any other entity including but not limited to the Family Policy Council and the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development?
2. Under article IX, section 2 of the Washington State Constitution, what is the scope of authority and responsibility of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for common, normal and technical schools as they exist today?

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