

STATE OF DELAWARE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER EIGHTEEN

TO: HEADS OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES
RE: HIGHER EDUCATION TITLE VI COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Executive Order Number Ninety-Eight, approved by Governor du Pont on March 3, 1981, and as amended by his Executive Order Number One Hundred Five, approved on July 31, 1981, established the Higher Education Title VI Commission and charged it with monitoring the State's implementation of the Title VI Compliance Plan for Higher Education which the State filed with the Office for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order Number Ninety-Eight specified that the Assistant Counsel to the Governor shall be a member of the Title VI Commission and shall serve as its Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Battle R. Robinson, who served with distinction as Chairperson of the Title VI Commission since its inception, has submitted her resignation from the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Title VI Compliance Plan for Higher Education in the State of Delaware is scheduled to expire on June 30, 1986, and, as soon as practicable thereafter, the Office for Civil Rights will evaluate Delaware's implementation of the Plan and the status of desegregation in the State's system of public higher education to determine whether any further action is needed to bring Delaware into compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

WHEREAS, the Office for Civil Rights recommends that Delaware submit a final comprehensive narrative report assessing its implementation of the Title VI Plan and requests that such a report be submitted no later than March 31, 1986; and

WHEREAS, over the five years of its good faith implementation of the Title VI Plan, the State of Delaware has made substantial progress toward achieving the Plan's objectives, and specifically has fully complied with the schedule of funding commitments set forth in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State of Delaware intends to continue voluntarily its commitment to the goals of the Title VI Plan after the formal termination of the Plan on June 30, 1986;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL N. CASTLE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. Subparagraph a. of paragraph 3 of Governor du Pont's Executive Order Number Ninety-Eight is amended by striking the title "Assistant Counsel to the Governor" and substituting in lieu thereof the title "Special Assistant to the Governor for Education".

2. Paragraph 5 of Executive Order Ninety-Eight is amended by adding a new subparagraph "1" to read as follows:

"1. To submit a final comprehensive narrative report assessing the State of Delaware's implementation of the Title VI Compliance Plan for Higher Education, and to make recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly and the boards of trustees of each of the institutions of public higher education in this State, as appropriate, regarding what specific voluntary actions they might take, individually or collectively, to maintain Delaware's progress toward achieving the objectives of its Title VI Plan after the termination of the Plan on June 30, 1986."

3. Paragraph 6 of Executive Order Number Ninety-Eight is amended to add a second sentence to read as follows:

"As part of its performance of its responsibilities, the Commission may hold public hearings."

APPROVED this 22nd day
of November, 1985.

Michael R. Castle
Governor

ATTEST:

Heath
Secretary of State

