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TO:

Cultural Education Committee

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SUBJECT:

Update from Educational Television and Public Broadcasting

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SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion

Representatives from New York State Public Television Stations will report on their programs and services for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Presenters include: Julie Daniels, Director of Public Broadcasting and Educational Television; Robert Altman, WMHT President and CEO; and Jenn Baumstein, WMHT Director of Community Engagement.

Reason(s) for Consideration

Education Law §236 places responsibility for incorporation and oversight of public television and radio stations in New York State with the Board of Regents.

Background Information

New York State's Public Television Stations serve as a vital part of the NYSED's Office of Cultural Education. They facilitate the creation of public broadcasting programs and services to meet NYSED priorities. The stations create educational resources for unserved and underserved audiences to help close gaps in achievement as well as provide learning opportunities for all New Yorkers. They strive to prove the value of public broadcasting through family engagement, professional development, educator resources, and community events for all.

Learn more about New York State's Public Broadcasting Stations at: <u>Office of Cultural Education Public Broadcasting Stations</u> http://www.oce.nysed.gov/pbs-stations