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Ms. Susan Meister
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RE: Objection to proposed rule for Public Act 95-0671

Dear Ms. Meister:

I object to the exclusion of the Vision First form as one of the prescribed forms parents could submit as proof of an eye examination.

Long before the distribution of the *State of Illinois Eye Examination Report* during the emergency rulemaking this past summer, the Vision First Foundation, and its experts of parents, teachers, eye doctors, and other health care professionals, met for many months in to create a meaningful comprehensive eye and vision examination form. The State did not have a form exclusive for eye examinations in 2002/2003 so the Vision First team created one. The Vision First form fulfills the intent of Senate Bill 805, which passed into law in 2003 as Public Act 93-0504 or "Amy's Law."

The Vision First Foundation now respectfully requests the Illinois Department of Public Health and the State Board of Education approve the Vision First form as a prescribed form as proof of an eye examination for Illinois' new eye exam law, Public Act 95-0671.

To the best children can be visually, and to your efforts to make it happen.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Floyd Mizener", is written over the typed name.

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