#### [Title/Name] Joins Leaders at Southern Regional Education Board Annual Meetings

*June 25, 2018*— [Title/Name] of [City/Town] joined other state policymakers from across the South to chart strategies to improve education at Southern Regional Education Board meetings June 21-25 in Boca Raton, Florida.

At the SREB Annual Meeting and Legislative Work Conference, [Lastname] came together with state legislators, education agency officials and other policy leaders in work sessions to examine issues ranging from teacher preparation to college completion. Attendees weighed recommendations from the SREB Teacher Preparation Commission, addressed topics in educational technology, and discussed how to prepare the workforce of 2030.

[Include quote if you’d like, such as “At SREB meetings, the Statename delegation learns what works ⎯ and what doesn’t ⎯ to improve education for our students,” said Lastname. “I look forward to implementing some of these essential policies and best practices here at home.”]

SREB works with states to improve public education at every level, from pre-K through Ph.D. [Title/Lastname] serves as a member of SREB’s [Legislative Advisory Council and/or Board and/or Commission OR was appointed to this year’s Legislative Work Conference].

“[Title/Lastname’s] commitment to education is vital to [Statename] and the region, and we appreciate her/his leadership and service,” said SREB President Dave Spence.

[If you attended the Teacher Preparation Commission meeting June 21 and 22.] [Title/Lastname] also participated in a meeting of the SREB Teacher Preparation Commission to recommend promising practices ways to better prepare teachers.

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#### Sen. Smith Joins Leaders at Southern Regional Education Board Annual Meetings

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At the SREB Annual Meeting and Legislative Work Conference, Smith came together with state legislators, education agency officials and other policy leaders in work sessions to examine issues ranging from teacher preparation to college completion. Attendees weighed recommendations from the SREB Teacher Preparation Commission, addressed topics in educational technology, and discussed how to prepare the workforce of 2030.

“At SREB meetings, the Florida delegation learns what works ⎯ and what doesn’t ⎯ to improve education for our students,” said Smith. “The teacher preparation recommendations are particular relevant for Florida, and I look forward to working with colleagues here at home on this.”

SREB works with states to improve public education at every level, from pre-K through Ph.D. Senator Smith serves as a member of SREB’s Board and Legislative Advisory Committee and is a member of the Teacher Preparation Commission.

“Senator Smith’s commitment to education is vital to Arkansas and the region, and we appreciate her leadership and service,” said SREB President Dave Spence.

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