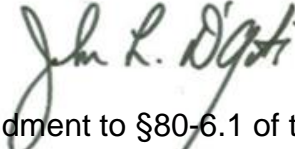






TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: John L. D'Agati 

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to §80-6.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Continuing Teacher and Leader Education for Teachers in Nonpublic Schools to Implement Chapter 311 of the Laws of 2017

DATE: January 11, 2018

AUTHORIZATION(S):  

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents amend §80-6.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to continuing teacher and leader education (CTLE) to implement Chapter 311 of the Laws of 2017?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Review of Policy.

Proposed Handling

The proposed amendment is submitted to the Full Board for adoption as a permanent rule at the January 2018 Board of Regents meeting (Attachment A is a copy of the proposed amendment).

Procedural History

A Notice of Proposed Rule Making was published in the State Register on November 1, 2017. Following the 60-day public comment period required under the State Administrative Procedure Act, no comments were received on the proposed amendment. Supporting materials for the proposed amendment are available upon request from the Secretary to the Board of Regents.

Background Information

The 2015-2016 State Budget added §3006-a to the Education Law to require all holders of teaching certificates, teaching assistant certificates, and educational leadership certificates which are valid for life (Permanent, Professional and Teaching Assistant Level III) to register with the Department every five years and that holders of the Professional and Teaching Assistant Level III certificates complete 100 hours of continuing teacher and leader education during the five year registration period.

Chapter 311 of the Laws of 2017 amended Education Law §3006-a to add nonpublic schools to the provisions relating to the mandatory continuing education requirements for all holders of professional certificates in the classroom teaching service, holders of level III teaching assistant certificates, and holders of professional certificates in the educational leadership service.

In order to implement the new law, the proposed regulation amends the definition of applicable school in §80-6.1 of the Commissioner's Regulations to include nonpublic schools.

Related Regents Items

[October 2017 Regents Item](#)

(<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1017hea1.pdf>)

[December 2017 Regents Item](#)

(<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1217brca5.pdf>)

Recommendation

Department staff recommends that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That §80-6.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner be amended, as submitted, effective February 7, 2018.

Timetable for Implementation

If adopted at the January 2018 meeting, the proposed amendment will become effective on February 7, 2018.

Attachment A

AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 101, 207, 305, 3001, 3004, 3006 and 3006-a of the Education Law and Chapter 311 of the Laws of 2017.

Subdivision (a) of section 80-6.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(a) Applicable school means a school district or board of cooperative educational services or nonpublic school that is providing instruction pursuant to Education Law §3204(2) located in New York State. For purposes of this definition, the City School District of New York and any of its components shall be considered a single school district.