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TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: Alison Bianchi

SUBJECT: 2018 Regulatory Agenda

DATE: December 5, 2017

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents approve the 2018 Regulatory Agenda?

Reason for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

The 2018 Regulatory Agenda will be presented to the Full Board for approval at the December 2017 Regents meeting.

Background Information

Section 202-d of the State Administrative Procedure Act (SAPA) requires that the State Education Department publish, each year, a regulatory agenda in any January issue of the State Register. The 2018 regulatory agenda is a list and brief description of the subject matter of each rule the Department is considering proposing during 2018, but for which it has not yet submitted a Notice of Proposed Rule Making. SAPA §202-

d(2) provides that nothing in the statute requires an agency to adopt a rule appearing in the regulatory agenda, or precludes an agency from adopting a rule which has not appeared in the regulatory agenda or from adopting a different rule from the one appearing in the regulatory agenda. If we do seek to adopt additional rules that were not included in the 2018 regulatory agenda, the Department must indicate in the Notice of Proposed Rule Making that the rule was not under consideration when the regulatory agenda was submitted for publication.

The 2018 Regulatory Agenda is a planning document required under SAPA §202-d and provides notice to the public on regulations that the agency knows it may propose in 2018. It is non-binding and does not commit the agency to adopting the listed regulations, nor does it preclude the agency from adopting regulations that are not on the list. Accordingly, Board of Regents approval of the Regulatory Agenda does not constitute approval of the listed regulations.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That the 2018 Regulatory Agenda for the State Education Department be approved, as submitted.

Timetable for Implementation

The 2018 Regulatory Agenda will be published in the State Register on January 3, 2018.

STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
2018 REGULATORY AGENDA

Pursuant to section 202-d of the State Administrative Procedure Act, the State Education Department presents its regulatory agenda for calendar year 2018. All section and part references are to Title 8 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations. The State Education Department reserves the right to add, delete or modify, without further notice, except as required by the State Administrative Procedure Act, any item or information presented herein as relating to the 2018 Regulatory Agenda.

OFFICE OF P-12 EDUCATION

Addition of a new Part of the Commissioner's Regulations pertaining to the requirements for student and teacher data privacy and security pursuant to Education Law section 2-d, as added by Subpart L of Part AA of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2014. A rural area flexibility analysis and/or a regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Parts 52 and 80 of the Commissioner's Regulations to require all prospective teachers to complete coursework on English Language Learner instructional needs, co-teaching strategies, and integrating language and content instruction for English Language Learners. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 80 of the Commissioner's Regulations to create a certification extension for bilingual teaching assistants. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 80-1.9 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the filing of district personnel data. A regulatory change may be required to align the requirement for collecting personnel data which has changed from staff filing a paper form to an electronic filing by school districts, BOCES and charter schools. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.1(a) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the definition of a unit of study. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.1(b) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the definition of a unit of credit. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.2(ff) of the Commissioner's Regulations related to children in Residential Facilities and/or the appointment of a liaison to align with the state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.2(i) of the Commissioner's Regulations to allow the reporting of complaints about the use of corporal punishment by BOCES, district or charter school personnel to be done once a year. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.2(m) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the Public-School Reports to align with the state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan. A regulatory change may be required for reporting requirements for districts to allow for

the various data of the school report card to be identified individually. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to section 100.2(f) to clarify the use of Department Approved Alternatives to Regents examinations for use as pathways to graduation and not for accountability purposes. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural flexibility analysis may be required

Amendment to Section 100.5 (b) to allow districts to develop and implement Arts coursework and curriculum without the approval of the State Education Department. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.3 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the PreK-4 Program requirements to reflect the adoption of the Learning Standards. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.4 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to program requirements in grades 5-6 to reflect the adoption of the Learning Standards. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations, relating to graduation requirements. A regulatory change may be required to allow for additional options for English language learners. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.7 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the State High School Equivalency Program to increase the age of eligibility and minimum number of hours required by the program. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.4(b) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to program requirements in grades five and six. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.4(d) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to grade eight acceleration for diploma credit. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.5(a), (b) and (c) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to graduation and diploma requirements. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.19 of the Commissioner's Regulations related to Receivership, to align with the state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Addition of a new section 100.21 of the Commissioner's Regulations to implement the school and district accountability and school and district improvement provisions of New York state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan, including a system for differentiation of school and district performance and support for and intervention in identified schools and districts. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to various sections of Part 100 to align with Education Law, Article 66, section 3300 et seq., on the Interstate Compact for Educational Opportunity for Military Children. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 114.1(b) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to nutrition standards. A regulatory change may be required to conform with federal statute and/or regulation. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 116 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to children in Residential Facilities and/or the appointment of a liaison to align with the state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 117 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to diagnostic screening for students who are new entrants or who have low test scores in reading or mathematics. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 118 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to new provisions in New York State's Every Student Succeeds Act plan regarding incarcerated youth. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.1 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to financing of charter schools to correct a citation and address statutory changes. A

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Amendment of section 119.3 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to charter school report cards to correct a citation. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.4 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the location and timelines for charter school hearings. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to charter school preferences. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 120 of the Commissioner's Regulations to align with the State's Every Student Succeeds Act plan relating to public school choice, supplemental education services (SES), highly qualified teachers and other provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 125 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the requirements for the voluntary registration of nonpublic nursery schools and kindergartens. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Subpart 151-1 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to universal prekindergarten. A regulatory change may be required to implement policy relating to the suspension and expulsion of children in universal prekindergarten

classes. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 151-1.3 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 136 to implement Chapter 373 of the Laws of 2016 and to make technical amendments, relating to school health services. A regulatory flexibility analysis and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 136.3(b) of the Commissioner's Regulations to conform to Education Law section 901, as amended by the Laws of 2006, Ch. 58, pt. A-1, §57, which removed the exemption of the city school districts of Rochester and Buffalo from the requirement to provide school health services. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 144.11 of the Commissioner's Regulations to eliminate the requirement that school districts have an Early Grade Class Size Reduction Plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Subpart 151-1 of the Commissioner's Regulations to create identification, placement and program requirements for students who are English language learners in preschool. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 154-2.3(i) of the Commissioner's Regulations to allow districts with less than 30 English Language Learners to apply for a one year waiver

increasing the maximum allowable grade span for grouping instruction in grades K-12 English as a New Language and Bilingual Education classes to three contiguous grades, instead of two contiguous grades. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.12 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to lease approval and building aid for leased school buildings and facilities by school districts. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.22(a)(3)(i)(d)(1) through (4) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to Qualified Zone Academy Bonds ranking of eligible districts and allocation of funds. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.23 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to multi-year cost allowance. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Parts 100 and 200 of the Commissioner's Regulations to make certain technical amendments, including corrections to cross citations, as may be appropriate to conform with the Every Student Succeeds Act. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of sections 200.4(i) and 200.5(a) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to written notice upon graduation or aging out and the development of adult service recommendations for students with disabilities placed in residential schools, as

may be necessary to conform to changes to State statute. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of sections 200.1(x), 200.5(j) and 200.16(h) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the impartial due process hearing procedures, including the provisions relating to prehearing conferences. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to least restrictive environment placements of students with disabilities. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to approval of State reimbursement for students with disabilities in approved private school placements. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the minimum level of service requirements for consultant teacher services and resource room programs, and the maximum instructional group size in a resource room program. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.7 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to conditions of approval and the program standards for private schools approved to serve students with disabilities. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Section 200.9 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to tuition rates for approved special class integrated setting programs. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.18 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to fiscal audits of approved programs. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.20(a) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to public school districts as preschool evaluators as may be necessary to conform to changes to State statute. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.16(c)(1) of the Rules of the Board of Regents to update delegation of authority with respect to the approval of changes to certain charter school revisions. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.17(a)(3) of the Rules of the Board of Regents to update the revocation proceeding and to allow the Board of Regents to appoint a representative to hear oral arguments on behalf of the Board of Regents and to make a determination in regard to such oral argument. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.17(a)(3) of the Rules of the Board of Regents to update the revocation proceeding to revoke the certificate of incorporation after the assets of

the education corporations have been discharged. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Amendment of section 3.56 of Regents Rules to clarify requirements for out-of-state institutions of higher education that are seeking Regents permission to operate in New York. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.58 of the Regents Rules and addition of new section 3.59 of the Regents Rules establishing procedures and fees related to institutional authorization to offer degree programs. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of subpart 4-1 of the Regents Rules establishing fees for voluntary institutional accreditation by the Commissioner of Education and Board of Regents. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 50.1 of the Commissioner's Regulations to include a definition of a remedial course and a compensatory course as needed under sections 6451 and 6452 of the Education Law. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Parts 50 and 52 of the Commissioner's Regulations concerning registration of undergraduate and graduate postsecondary curricula. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 52.2(f) of the Commissioner's Regulations specifying the academic content of a transcript prepared by an Institution of Higher Education. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 80 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the certification requirements for school counselors. A rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 80-3.4 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to education requirements for the professional certificate. A rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of sections 80-4.3 and 80-5.18 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the requirements for a Supplementary Bilingual Education extension and the

Supplementary English to Speakers of Other Languages certificate. A rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Addition of New Section 80-5.26 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to allow a temporary certificate for teachers displaced from Puerto Rico and/or another U.S. Territory, as a result of Hurricane Maria, to teach in New York State. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 86 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the requirements for the Albert Shanker Grant. A rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 135 of the Commissioner's Regulations related to Health and Physical Education, to align with the state's Every Student Succeeds Act plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required

Amendment of Part 135 of the Commissioner's Regulations to clarify the due process procedures relative to coaching licenses. A regulatory flexibility analysis and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations section 145-2.1(a)(iii) to provide a definition of a remedial course(s). A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations section 145-2.2 to provide a definition of the term "the recognized equivalent of such certificate" as found in Education Law section 661(4)(f) for the purposes of determining eligibility for the NYS

Tuition Assistance Program. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations section 145-2.15(b)(3) to clarify and establish jurisdiction over a student at the time of the completion of secondary education. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations section 145-2.15(b)(2) to clarify the federally approved ability to benefit test administration for the purposes of the NYS Tuition Assistance Program. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations section 152-1.2 to insert language concerning remedial, developmental, and compensatory courses. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations Section 152-1.1 to amend applications to clarify that each application shall include the provision of a summer program that shall occur at the beginning of the program year and to update obsolete processes and language. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations Part 50 and Part 54 to amend the definitions and procedures related to off-campus instruction and locations. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Commissioner's Regulations to establish a new part to implement section 6449 of the Education Law as related to aggregate data reporting to the department as required by Chapter 76 of the Laws of 2015, the Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence and Stalking Prevention and Response Policies and Procedures. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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OFFICE OF THE PROFESSIONS

Amendment of Part 29 of the Regents Rules relating to definitions of unprofessional conduct in the public accountancy and certified public accountancy professions. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 29 of the Regents Rules relating to definitions of unprofessional conduct in the pharmacy profession. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 29.7 of the Rules of the Board of Regents and section 63.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the Unprofessional Conduct Special Provisions and the Requirements for Substituting Interchangeable Biological Products for Prescribed Products in the Profession of Pharmacy. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 61 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to licensure by endorsement provisions for dentists. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 69 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to licensure by endorsement provisions for architects. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 70 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the definitions of public accountancy and the certified public accountancy professions. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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OFFICE OF CULTURAL EDUCATION

Amendment of Part 90 of the Commissioner's Regulations, relating to the library and library system programs and services. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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Amendment of Part 188 of the Commissioner's Regulations related to state government archives and records management to update the agency fee list to match the current organizational structure of executive branch agencies. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 188 of the Commissioner's Regulations related to state government archives and records management to update the annual fees for storage of records in a records center facility. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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OFFICE OF ADULT CAREER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION SERVICES (ACCES)

Amendment of Parts 246 and 247 of the Commissioner's Regulations, regarding conforming and technical amendments pertaining to the vocational rehabilitation and independent living programs. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 246 of the Commissioner's Regulations, relating to sheltered workshop programs and community rehabilitation providers, necessary to conform to federal regulations and to reflect new standards for services established in contracts. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Parts 246 and 247 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to the State vocational rehabilitation program operated pursuant to Title I of the Rehabilitation Act, as may be appropriate to conform to changes resulting from the passage of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) on July 22, 2014, which amended the Rehabilitation Act. The federal regulations were released on August 19, 2016. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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Amendment of Part 247 of the Commissioner's Regulations, regarding aid for blind or deaf students in relation to the purchase and use of supports for the education of students who are blind, deaf, deaf-blind or hard of hearing. Regulatory changes may be necessary to implement recently enacted legislation. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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Amendment of section 126.4(e)(2)(i) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to standards and methods of instruction to revise the language to say: except as provided in subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, and notwithstanding any other provisions of law, any student who is absent more than 15 percent of the total number of instructional hours offered during each marking period of the student's program, excluding approved leaves of absence pursuant to paragraph (6) of this subdivision, or who has not maintained satisfactory academic progress, shall be dismissed or placed on academic probation in accordance with subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 126.4(g) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to standards and methods of instruction to add the following: All courses or curricula offered at no cost to a student by a school shall comply with all requirements of this Part, except non-occupational courses as defined by section 5002(1)(c) of the Education Law. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 126.4(i) of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to standards and methods of instruction to revise it to say: Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Part, non-occupational courses, as defined by section 5002(1)(c) of the Education Law, shall be subject to the following alternate educational and curriculum standards. 126.4(i)(4) teachers of non-occupational courses shall meet the requirements for a special lecturer as set forth in section 126.6(m) of this Part. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 126.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations relating to qualifications of teaching and management personnel to change the word "mailed" to "provided" and remove the words "and postmarked" as follows:

Each applicant shall submit, in a format specified by the commissioner, such data concerning the education, training, experience and other qualifications, including supporting documentation, of the administrative, supervisory and instructional staff of the school as the commissioner may require. Upon submission of an application for a director, the owner shall attest to the applicant's ability to comply with the provisions of this section. Pursuant to section 5002(6) of the Education

Law, all applications for teachers and directors shall be provided to the commissioner four days prior to employment at the school, and must be completed, with all supporting materials and fees required for evaluation of the file, within 20 days thereafter. However, the commissioner, for good cause shown, may extend the time within which to complete the application. When a complete application is made, the commissioner shall act upon such application within 30 days. If no written denial is made within 30 days, the application shall be deemed to be approved until the commissioner acts upon it or until the end of the term or semester, whichever occurs first. If a written denial is made after the 30-day period, the commissioner may allow the applicant to teach at the school for the remainder of the term or semester if the commissioner determines that the removal of the teacher would not be in the best interest of students. If a teacher or director application, submitted to the department less than four days prior to the employment of such individual, is evaluated and it is subsequently determined that the applicant is not qualified pursuant to the provisions of this section, the school may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to section 5003 of the Education Law, if such conduct constitutes a pattern of abuse. As used in this subdivision, a pattern of abuse is defined as violations which occur three or more times in a 12-month period.

A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to the Commissioner's Regulations section 126.7 to read: If a transcript, diploma, certificate, or other document evidencing satisfactory program or

course completion is to be withheld until all fees and charges have been met, the enrollment agreement must so state. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Amendment of Parts 187 and 188 to update regulations relating to the inspection and copying of State Education Department records and to State Government Archives and Records Management. A regulatory flexibility analysis and/or a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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