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**M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** Melissa McCormick  
Department of Education and Early Development

**FROM:** Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor   
465.4081

**DATE:** May 2, 2018

**RE:** Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Education and Early Development

State Board of Education and Early Development regulations re: teacher competency and content area examinations (4 AAC 12.310(d),(e); 3 AAC 12.407(a)(1),(d))

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Attorney General File:	JU2017200691
Regulation Filed:	5/2/2018
Effective Date:	6/1/2018
Print:	226, July 2018

cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law  
Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO  
REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

The attached five pages of regulations, dealing with the teacher competency and content area exams, is certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the State Board of Education and Early Development adopted at its December 8, 2017, meeting, under the authority of AS 14.07.060, AS 14.20.010, AS 14.20.020, AS 14.20.022, AS 14.20.030 and AS 14.50.080, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the State Board of Education and Early Development paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes described in this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date:

2/20/18

  
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Sana Efird, Deputy Commissioner

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

May 2, 2018 at 11:02 A.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

  
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Lieutenant Governor

Effective: June 1, 2018.

Register: 226, July 2018

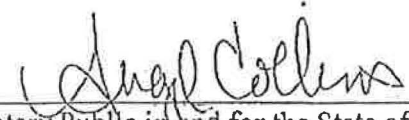
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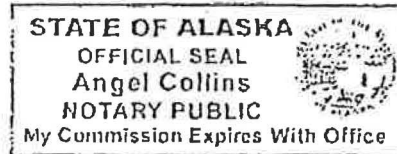
Under AS 44.17.010, the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations of the Department of Education & Early Development under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act are delegated to Sana Efird, Deputy Commissioner.

Date: 12/13/16

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Juneau, AK on  
December 13, 2016.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska



Register 226, July 2018 EDUCATION AND EARLY DEV.

*18 Publisher: To reflect the addition of new 4 AAC 12.310(d)(12) and (13), please change the period at the end of 4 AAC 12.310(d)(11)(C) to a semicolon.))*

4 AAC 12.310(d) is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

(12) the GRE taken before ~~prior to~~ August 1, 2011 with qualifying scores of

(A) reading (verbal): 450;

(B) mathematics (quantitative): 500;

(C) writing: 4.5<sup>^</sup>;

(13) the GRE taken on or after August 1, 2011 with qualifying scores of

(A) verbal reasoning: 153<sup>^</sup>;

(B) quantitative reasoning: 145<sup>^</sup>;

(C) analytical writing: 4.5<sup>^</sup>;

*18 Publisher: To reflect the addition of new 4 AAC 12.310(e)(3), please add a semicolon after "Inc." in 4 AAC 12.310(e)(2).))*

4 AAC 12.310(e) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(3) "GRE" means the graduate record examination general test administrated by

← the Educational Testing Service. →

(Eff. 9/29/2005, Register 175; am 9/30/2005, Register 175; am 12/21/2007, Register 184; am

6/27/2014, Register 210; am 4/24/2016, Register 218; am 6/1/2018, Register 226)

Authority: AS 14.07.060

AS 14.20.020

AS 14.20.030

(in bold))

AS 14.20.010



4 AAC 12.407 (a)(1) is amended to read:

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line,  
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tabs"*

(1) a Praxis II examination described in the following table:

<u>Praxis II Examination</u>	<u>Required Score</u>
<u>Early Childhood Education -5025</u>	<u>156</u>
Elementary Education Content Knowledge - 5014 or 0014	143
Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment - 5011 or 0011	156
Multiple Subject Assessments for Teachers Content Knowledge - 0140	146
Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment - 5017	153
Elementary Education: Content Knowledge - 5018	163
<u>English to Speakers of Other Languages - 5362</u>	<u>155</u>
<u>Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications-5354</u>	<u>151</u>
<u>Special Education: Preschool/Early Childhood-5691</u>	<u>159</u>
<u>Teaching Reading: Elementary Education -5203</u>	<u>162</u>
<u>Teaching Reading - 5204</u>	<u>159</u>

*"bold - as in  
original"*

4 AAC 12.407 (d) is amended to read:

(d) A teacher may satisfy the content area testing requirements of 4 AAC 04.210(d)(6) and (7), 4 AAC 12.305(a), (b), and (c), 4 AAC 12.395, and 4 AAC 12.396 by achieving the required score or higher on a Praxis II examination for one or more of the subject or endorsement areas described in the following table:

<u>Praxis II Examination</u> <i>«bold - so in original»</i>	<u>Required Score</u> <i>«bold - so in original»</i>
<u>Agriculture - 5701</u>	<u>147</u>
<u>Algebra - 5162</u> <i>«use normal dash rather than 'em' dash»</i>	<u>157</u>
Art Content Knowledge - 0133	155
Art Content Knowledge - 5134 or 0134	158
Biology Content Knowledge - 5235 or 0235	144
Chemistry Content Knowledge - 5245 or 0245	139
Chinese (Mandarin): World Language - 5665	164
<u>Computer Science - 5651</u>	<u>171</u>
Earth and Space Science Content Knowledge - 5571 or 0571	144
Economics - 0910	460
Economics - 5911 or 0911	150
English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content Knowledge - 5041 or 0041	158
English: Content Knowledge - 5038	167
English Language Arts: Content and Analysis - 5039	168
English Language, Literature, and Composition: Content and Analysis - 5044 or 0044	166
French Content Knowledge - 0173	160
French World Language - 5174	162
General Science: Content Knowledge - 5435 or 0435	146
General Science: Content Knowledge, Part 1 - 0431 and Part 2 - 0432	Part 1: 146 Part 2: 144
Geography - 0920	590
Geography - 5921 or 0921	149

German Content Knowledge - 0181	158
German World Language - 5183	163
Government/Political Science - 0930	610
Government/Political Science - 5931 or 0931	149
<b><u>Journalism – 5223</u></b>	<b><u>150</u></b>
Mathematics Content Knowledge - 5061 or 0061	121
Mathematics Content Knowledge - 5161	160
<b><u>Music: Content and Instruction- 5114</u></b>	<b><u>162</u></b>
<u>[Musical]</u> <b><u>Music:</u></b> Content Knowledge - 5113 or 0113 <i>(@ Confusion) (to transform!!!)</i>	154
<b><u>Physical Education: Content and Design - 5095</u></b>	<b><u>169</u></b>
Physical Science Content Knowledge - 0481	145
Physics Content Knowledge - 5265 or 0265	127
<b><u>Psychology – 5931</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>
<b><u>Social Studies: Content and Interpretation – 5086</u></b> <i>use normal dash rather than "en" dash</i>	<b><u>153</u></b>
Social Studies Content Knowledge - 5081 or 0081	152
<b><u>Sociology -5952</u></b> <i>4</i>	<b><u>154</u></b>
Spanish Content Knowledge - 0191	152
Spanish World Language - 5195	168
Speech Communication - 0220	560
Speech Communication - 5221 or 0221	146
Theatre - 0640	560
Theatre - 5641 or 0641	127
World and U.S. History - 0940	440

World and U.S. History - 5941 or 0941	141
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(Eff. 4/24/2016, Register 218; am 6/1/2018, Register 226)

**Authority:** AS 14.07.060 AS 14.20.020 AS 14.50.080  
AS 14.20.010 AS 14.20.022

Publisher: The history note for 4 AAC 12.407 is missing from the hard-copy, printed Alaska Administrative Code. Please restore the missing history note. The note that the history note is present in the electronic database. ///

# MEMORANDUM


## State of Alaska Department of Law

To: Hon. Byron Mallott  
Lieutenant Governor

Date: May 1, 2018

File No.: JU2017200691

Tel. No.: 465-3600

From: Steven C. Weaver   
Sr. Assistant Attorney General  
and Assistant Regulations Attorney  
Legislation and Regulations Section

Re: State Board of Education and Early  
Development regulations re: teacher  
competency and content area  
examinations (4 AAC 12.310(d), (e);  
4 AAC 12.407(a)(1), (d))

We have reviewed the attached regulations from the State Board of Education and Early Development against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. I have reviewed this project under a specific delegation dated April 30, 2018 from the Regulations Attorney. The regulations add, to the approved list of basic competency examinations, the graduate record examination (GRE) and related qualifying scores. Also, the regulations add new subjects to the list of content-area examinations, along with related qualifying scores.

We find no legal problems with the regulations. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the rest of the attached regulations.

The October 15, 2017 public notice, the November 19, 2017 supplemental public notice, and the February 20, 2018 certification of adoption order all state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

Hon. Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor  
Our file: JU2017200691

May 1, 2018  
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We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.125. The corrections are shown on the attached copy of the regulations.

SCW

cc w/enc: (via email)

Hon. Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner  
Department of Education and Early Development

Melissa McCormick, Regulations Contact  
Department of Education and Early Development

Rebecca E. Hattan, Assistant Attorney General  
Labor and State Affairs Section



# MEMORANDUM


## State of Alaska Department of Law

**TO:** Hon. Byron Mallott  
Lieutenant Governor

**DATE:** April 30, 2018

**FILE NO.:** JU2017200691

**TELEPHONE NO.:** (907) 465-3600

**FROM:** Susan R. Pollard   
Chief Assistant Attorney General  
and Regulations Attorney  
Legislation/Regulations Section

**SUBJECT:** Specific delegation of authority  
regarding regulations review on  
State Board of Education and  
Early Development regulations  
re: teacher competency and  
content area examinations  
(4 AAC 12.310(d), (e); 4 AAC  
12.407(a)(1), (d))

By this memorandum, I am delegating my authority as Regulations Attorney under AS 44.62 to Assistant Attorney General Steven C. Weaver for the above-referenced regulations project. Under this delegation of authority, Steven Weaver has my full authority under AS 44.62 to conduct the legal review under AS 44.62 and take necessary actions on this regulations project.

If you have questions, please let me know.

SRP

cc w/enc: Scott C. Meriwether, AAC Coordinator  
Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Steven C. Weaver  
Sr. Assistant Attorney General and  
Assistant Regulations Attorney  
Legislation/Regulations Section

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO  
TEACHER COMPETENCY AND CONTENT AREA EXAMS  
IN THE REGULATIONS OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** Provides additional options for teachers to satisfy teacher certification requirements by: 1) adding the GRE to the list of approved competency exams, and 2) adding additional exams to the approved content exams for teacher certification.

The Department of Education and Early Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with teacher competency exams, including the following:

4 AAC 12.310 (d) and (e), with proposed changes, would amend the list of approved competency exams to include the graduate record examination general test (GRE).

4 AAC 12.407 (a) (1), with proposed changes, would amend the list of approved content area exams to include tests in the following areas: early childhood education; English to speakers of other languages; special education; and reading.

4 AAC 12.407 (c), with the proposed changes, would amend the list of approved content area exams to include tests in the following areas: agriculture; algebra; computer science; journalism; music; physical education; psychology; social studies; and sociology.

The Department of Education and Early Development invites the public to submit written comments during the written comment period, which begins with the date of this notice and ends on November 13, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. The written comment period closes in advance of the meeting of the State Board of Education and Early Development at which the board will consider the adoption of the proposed regulations. This allows the Department of Education and Early Development an opportunity to prepare changes based on written comment and to distribute any proposed changes to the board for its consideration prior to the meeting.

You may comment in writing on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Commissioner's Office, Department of Education and Early Development, Attn: Regulations Review, 801 West Tenth Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500.

You also may submit written comments by facsimile at (907) 465-4156; by electronic mail to [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov); and online at the website of the Department of Education and Early Development at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>. Written comments also may be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link.

**All written comments must be received not later than 4:30 p.m. on November 13, 2017.**

**After the written comment period has ended, you may submit oral comments to the State Board of Education and Early Development at a hearing to be held by the board on December 7, 2017, by audio-conference.** The hearing will be held from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

but may be extended to accommodate those present before 9:00 a.m. who have not had an opportunity to comment before 10:15 a.m.

You may submit oral comments at this hearing, during this time only, via the Legislative Information Office streaming by calling 1-844-586-9085 if you are outside of Juneau or Anchorage. For participation from Juneau, call 586-9085. For participation from Anchorage, call 563-9085.

You also may submit oral comment by visiting your local Legislative Information Office (LIO). The following LIO's will participate: Anchorage, 716 W 4th Ave., Suite 100; Bethel, 301 Willow St.; Fairbanks, 1292 Sadler Way, Suite 308; Juneau, Room 111 Terry Miller Bldg.; Kenai, 145 Main St. Loop, Suite 217; Ketchikan, 1900 First Ave., Suite 310; Kodiak, 305 center Ave., Suite 1; Mat-Su, 600 E Railroad Ave.; Nome 103 Front St.; Seward, 302 Railway Suite 107; and Sitka, 201 Katlian St., Suite 103.

This meeting will be streamed through the Legislative Information Office over <http://www.alaskalegislature.tv/> beginning at 9:00 a.m. December 7, 2017 (audio only). You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Marcy Herman at [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov) or the Department of Education and Early Development, Attn: Marcy Herman, 801 West 10th Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500. If a question is relevant to the proposed change in the regulations and the question is received by November 3, 2017, which is ten days before the end of the public comment period, the department will make a good-faith effort to answer the question before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Education and Early Development will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and on the website of the Department of Education and Early Development at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Marcy Herman at 907-465-2803 or [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov) not later than December 1, 2017, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

Copies of the proposed regulation changes are available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System, on the website of the Department of Education and Early Development at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>, and by contacting Marcy Herman at [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov) or 907-465-2803.

After the public comment period ends, the Department of Education and Early Development will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

**Statutory authority:** AS 14.07.060; AS 14.20.010; AS 14.20.020; AS 14.20.022, AS 14.20.030, AS 14.50.080

**Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific:** AS 14.20.020

**Fiscal information:** The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

ADDITIONAL REGULATION NOTICE INFORMATION  
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agency: Department of Education & Early Development
2. General subject of regulation: teacher certification
3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 4 AAC 12.310-.407
4. Department of Law file number, if any: To be assigned.

5. Reason for the proposed action:

- ☐ Compliance with federal law or action (identify):
- ☐ Compliance with new or changed state statute
- ☐ Compliance with federal or state court decision (identify):
- ☒ Development of program standards
- ☐ Other (identify):

6. Appropriation/Allocation: None

7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to:

A private person: none.

Another state agency: none.

A municipality: none.

8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): none

	Initial Year FY 18	Subsequent Years
Operating Cost	\$ 0	\$
Capital Cost	\$ 0	\$
1002 Federal receipts	\$ 0	\$
1003 General fund match	\$ 0	\$
1004 General fund	\$ 0	\$
1005 General fund/ program	\$ 0	\$
Other (identify)	\$ 0	\$

9. The name of the contact person for the regulation:

Name: Sondra Meredith  
Title: Administrator, Teacher Education and Certification  
Address: 801 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200, Juneau, Alaska  
Telephone: 907-465-8663  
E-mail address: [sondra.meredith@alaska.gov](mailto:sondra.meredith@alaska.gov)

10. The origin of the proposed action:

☒ Staff of state agency  
☐ Federal government  
☐ General public  
☐ Petition for regulation change  
☐ Other (identify): \_\_\_\_\_

11. Date: October 13, 2017 Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Erin Hardin  
Title: Information Officer  
Telephone: 907-465-6535



SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO  
TEACHER COMPETENCY AND CONTENT AREA EXAMS  
IN THE REGULATIONS OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

This supplemental notice is being issued due to a time change for oral public comment. **You may submit oral comments to the State Board of Education and Early Development at a hearing to be held by the board on December 7, 2017, by audio-conference.** The hearing will be held from 2:10 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. but may be extended to accommodate those present before 1:55 p.m. who have not had an opportunity to comment before 3:00 p.m.

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After the public comment period ends, the Department of Education and Early Development will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

**Statutory authority:** AS 14.07.060; AS 14.20.010; AS 14.20.020; AS 14.20.022, AS 14.20.030, AS 14.50.080

**Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific:** AS 14.20.020

**Fiscal information:** The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION  
AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary for the Department of Education and Early Development, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed regulation changes to 4 AAC 12.310 dealing with the teacher competency and content area exams has been given by being

- (1) published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- (2) furnished to interested persons;
- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
- (4) furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulation;
- (5) furnished electronically to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- (6) furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Division of Legal and Research Services;
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);
- (8) furnished electronically, along with a copy of the proposed regulation, to the Legislative Affairs Agency, the chair of the Education Committee of the Alaska Senate and House of Representatives, the Administrative Regulation Review Committee, and the legislative council.

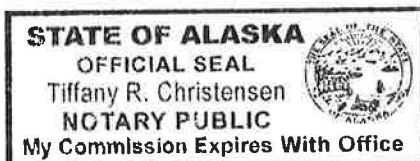
As required by AS 44.62.190, additional regulation notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulation notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Date: 3/2/18

Melissa McCormick  
Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Juneau, AK on March 2, 2018.

T. R. Christensen  
Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska



AFFIDAVIT OF AGENCY RECORD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

I, Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary for the Department of Education and Early Development, being sworn, state the following:

In compliance with AS 44.62.215, the Department of Education and Early Development has kept a record of its use or rejection of factual or other substantive information that was submitted in writing as public comment and that was relevant to the accuracy, coverage, or other aspect of the Department of Education and Early Development regulation on the teacher competency and content area exams. The Department of Education and Early Development did not receive any factual or other substantive information that was submitted orally as public comment and that was relevant to the accuracy, coverage, or other aspect of the Department of Education and Early Development regulation on teacher competency and content area exams.

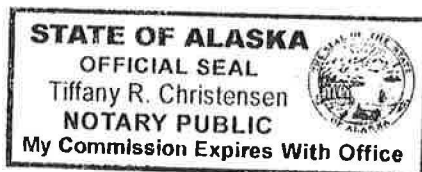
Date: 3/7/18

Melissa McCormick  
Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Juneau on

March 7, 2018

2-H R Christensen  
Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska





AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING

I, Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary for the Department of Education and Early Development, being sworn, state the following:

On December 7, 2017, at 2:10 p.m. by audio conference and in the state board room at 801 West 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Juneau, Alaska, a public hearing was held under AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking oral testimony in connection with the adoption of changes to teacher competency and content area exams, and via telephone by 1-844-586-9085, 907-563-9085, and 907-586-9085, and through the following LIO sites: Anchorage, 716 W 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 100; Bethel, 301 Willow Street; Fairbanks, 1292 Sadler Way, Suite 308; Juneau, Suite 111, Terry Miller Building, State Capitol; Kenai, 145 Main Street Loop, Suite 217; Ketchikan, 1900 First Avenue, Suite 310; Kodiak, 305 Center Ave., Suite 1; Mat-Su, 600 East Railroad Ave.; Nome, 103 Front Street; Seward, 302 Railway, Suite 107; and Sitka, 201 Katlian Street, Suite 103.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3/7/18

Melissa McCormick  
Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me at \_\_\_\_\_

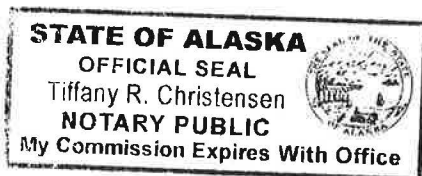
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daily newspaper. That said  
newspaper has been approved  
by the Third Judicial Court,  
Anchorage, Alaska, and it now  
and has been published in the  
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office maintained at the aforesaid  
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Signed Joleesa Stepetin

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO TEACHER COMPETENCY AND CONTENT AREA EXAMS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** Provides additional options for teachers to satisfy teacher certification requirements by: 1) adding the GRE to the list of approved competency exams, and 2) adding additional exams to the approved content exams for teacher certification.

The Department of Education and Early Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with teacher competency exams, including the following:

4 AAC 12.310 (d) and (e), with proposed changes, would amend the list of approved competency exams to include the graduate record examination general test (GRE).

4 AAC 12.407 (a) (1), with proposed changes, would amend the list of approved content area exams to include tests in the following areas: early childhood education; English to speakers of other languages; special education; and reading.

4 AAC 12.407 (c), with the proposed changes, would amend the list of approved content area exams to include tests in the following areas: agriculture; algebra; computer science; journalism; music; physical education; psychology; social studies; and sociology.

The Department of Education and Early Development invites the public to submit written comments during the written comment period, which begins with the date of this notice and ends on November 13, 2017, at 4:30 p.m. The written comment period closes in advance of the meeting of the State Board of Education and Early Development at which the board will consider the adoption of the proposed regulations. This allows the Department of Education and Early Development an opportunity to prepare changes based on written comment and to distribute any proposed changes to the board for its consideration prior to the meeting.

You may comment in writing on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Commissioner's Office, Department of Education and Early Development, Attn: Regulations Review, 801 West Tenth Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500.

You also may submit written comments by facsimile at (907) 465-4156; by electronic mail to [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov); and online at the website of the Department of Education and Early Development at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>. Written comments also may be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link. All written comments must be received not later than 4:30 p.m. on November 13, 2017.

After the written comment period has ended, you may submit oral comments to the State Board of Education and Early Development at a hearing to be held by the board on December 7, 2017, by audio-conference. The hearing will be held from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. but may be extended to accommodate those present before 9:00 a.m. who have not had an opportunity to comment before 10:15 a.m. You may submit oral comments at this hearing, during this time only, via the Legislative Information Office streaming by calling 1-844-586-9085 if you are outside of Juneau or Anchorage. For participation from Juneau, call 586-9085. For participation from Anchorage, call 563-9085.

You also may submit oral comment by visiting your local Legislative Information Office (LIO). The following LIO's will participate: Anchorage, 716 W 4th Ave., Suite 100; Bethel, 301 Willow St.; Fairbanks, 1292 Sadler Way, Suite 308; Juneau, Room 111 Terry Miller Bldg.; Kenai, 145 Main St. Loop, Suite 217; Ketchikan, 1900 First Ave., Suite 310; Kodiak, 305 Center Ave., Suite 1; Mat-Su, 600 E Railroad Ave.; Nome, 102 Front



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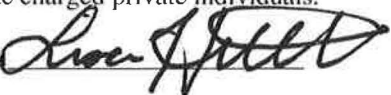
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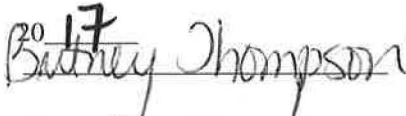
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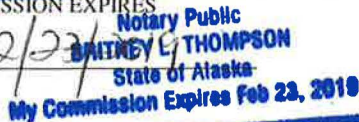
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## SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO TEACHER COMPETENCY AND CONTENT AREA EXAMS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

This supplemental notice is being issued due to a time change for oral public comment. **You may submit oral comments to the State Board of Education and Early Development at a hearing to be held by the board on December 7, 2017, by audio-conference.** The hearing will be held from 2:10 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. but may be extended to accommodate those present before 1:55 p.m. who have not had an opportunity to comment before 3:00 p.m.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** Provides additional options for teachers to satisfy teacher certification requirements by: 1) adding the GRE to the list of approved competency exams, and 2) adding additional exams to the approved content exams for teacher certification. The Department of Education and Early Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with teacher competency exams, including the following:

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This meeting will be streamed through the Legislative Information Office over <http://www.alaskalegislature.tv/> beginning at 2:00 p.m. December 7, 2017 (audio only). You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Marcy Herman at [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov) or the Department of Education and Early Development, Attn: Marcy Herman, 801 West 10th Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500. If a question is relevant to the proposed change in the regulations and the question is received by November 3, 2017, which is ten days before the end of the public comment period, the department will make a good-faith effort to answer the question before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Education and Early Development will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and on the website of the Department of Education and Early Development at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Marcy Herman at 907-465-2803 or [marcy.herman@alaska.gov](mailto:marcy.herman@alaska.gov) not later than December 1, 2017, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

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AFFIDAVIT OF BOARD ACTION

I, Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary for the Department of Education and Early Development, being sworn, state the following:

The attached motion dealing with teacher competency and content area exams, was passed by the State Board of Education and Early Development during its December 8, 2017, meeting.

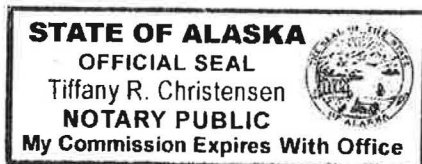
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Melissa McCormick  
Melissa McCormick, Executive Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Juneau on

March 7, 2018

Tiffany R. Christensen  
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# State Board of Education and Early Development Meeting

December 8, 2017

## Excerpt from Approved Minutes

Member Thompson moved, and Member Gallahorn seconded the following motion: I move the State Board of Education & Early Development adopt the proposed amendments to 4 AAC 12.310 Designation and qualifying scores of teacher competency examination and 4 AAC 12.407 Content area examinations. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.