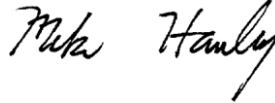


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MEMORANDUM NUMBER 2014-017

To: All parties interested in the regulations of the Department of Education & Early Development



From: Mike Hanley, Commissioner

Date: September 30, 2014

Subject: Opening a period of public comment on proposed amendments to 4 AAC 04 Common Core standards initiative restrictions

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT**

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Education & Early Development proposes a new regulation to implement the statute enacted by the 2014 legislature that prohibits the department from spending money to implement the Common Core Standards Initiative.

The Department of Education & Early Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code to amend 4 AAC 04. The proposed regulation implements AS 14.07.020(b), which was enacted by the 2014 legislature to prohibit the department from expending money to implement the Common Core Standards Initiative. The regulation changes may address the following:

- Preventing the department from expending money from any source to implement the Common Core Standards Initiative.

You may comment 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 & Early Development, Attn: Regulations Review, 801 West Tenth Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500. Comments may also be submitted via fax, (907) 465-4156, or via the Internet, at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>. **Written comments must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., November 3, 2014.**

Oral comments may be submitted at a hearing to be held on December 4, 2014, at the Anchorage School District boardroom at 5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd., Anchorage, Alaska. This hearing will begin at 8:00 a.m. and might be extended to accommodate those present before 7:55 a.m. who did not have an opportunity to comment. You may also comment at this meeting, during this time only, via the Legislative Information Office streaming by calling **1-855-463-5009 if you are outside of Juneau. For participation from Juneau, call 463-5009. This meeting will be streamed through the Legislative Information Office over <http://www.alaskalegislature.tv/> beginning at 8:00 a.m. on December 4, 2014 (audio only).**

Persons may also comment at the oral hearing via the following Legislative Information Offices: Anchorage, 733 W 4th Ave., Ste. 100; Barrow, 119 Bank Bldg.; Bethel, 301 Willow St.; Cordova, 705 Second Street; Fairbanks, 1292 Sadler Way, Suite 308; Juneau, Rm. 111 Terry Miller Bldg. State Capitol; Kenai, 145 Main St. Loop, Ste. 217; Ketchikan, 1900 First Avenue, Ste. 310; Kodiak, 305 Center Ave., Ste. 1; Kotzebue, 373 2nd St., Pillautuq Centre; Mat-Su, 600 E Railroad Ave.; Nome 103 Front St.; Seward, 302 Railway Ste. 107; Sitka, 201 Katlian St., Ste. 103; and Unalaska, 029 Airport Beach Rd., No. 03-01.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Lisa Miller at 907-465-2802, or lisa.miller@alaska.gov, no later than 10 days before the accommodation is needed, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the regulation changes, go to <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>; contact the Commissioner's Office at the Department of Education & Early Development, 801 West Tenth Street, Suite 200, PO Box 110500, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0500; email eric.fry@alaska.gov; or call 907-465-2851.

After the public comment period ends, the State Board of Education & Early Development will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.**

Statutory Authority: AS 14.07.020, AS 14.07.060

Statute Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 14.07.020(b)

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

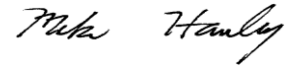
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DATE: September 30, 2014

Mike Hanley
Commissioner

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agency: Department of Education & Early Development
2. General subject of regulation: Common Core Standards Initiative
3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): 4 AAC 04.145
4. Department of Law file number, if any: JU2014200714
5. Reason for the proposed action:
☐ compliance with federal law
☒ compliance with new or changed state statute
☐ compliance with court order
☐ development of program standards
☐ other: (please list) _____
6. Appropriation/Allocation: Commissioner's Office
7. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars)

	Initial Year FY14	Subsequent Years
Operating Cost	\$__0__	\$__0__
Capital Cost	\$__0__	\$__0__
1002 Federal receipts	\$__0__	\$__0__
1003 General fund match	\$__0__	\$__0__
1004 General fund	\$__0__	\$__0__
1005 General fund/ program	\$__0__	\$__0__
1037 General fund/ mental health	\$__0__	\$__0__
Other	\$__0__	\$__0__

8. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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9. The origin of the proposed action:

☒ staff of state agency
☐ federal government
☐ general public
☐ petition for regulation change
☐ other (please list): _____

10. Date: September 30, 2014

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