KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 4:080. Request to Waive Out-of-State Recency Requirement for Stacey Ricketts

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the request to waive the out-of-state recency requirement and issue a Kentucky professional certificate for Stacey Ricketts?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.028, 16 KAR 4:080

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 4:080 requires that an out-of-state prepared educator have completed six semester hours of graduate credit within the five years preceding application for certification in Kentucky if their educator preparation program was completed more than five years prior to the application date.

Summary: Stacey Ricketts is requesting a waiver of the out-of-state recency regulation. After teaching for one year in Indiana, Ms. Ricketts was hired by Jefferson County Public Schools Adult Education, where she taught multiple subjects over thirteen years to hundreds of students. She completed her teacher preparation program in 2003 and passed the Kentucky Praxis exams in Fall 2023. Ms. Ricketts requests that the EPSB consider her previous experience to waive the out-of-state recency requirement of six graduate hours and issue her the full five-year Kentucky certificate.

<u>Budget Impact:</u> There is no budgetary impact.

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