

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Action Item:

16 KAR 2:140. Probationary Certificate for Teachers of Exceptional Children and Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, Amendment

Staff Recommendation:

The Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) should approve the amendments to 16 KAR 2:140.

Rationale:

The proposed amendment to 16 KAR 2:140 mirrors the amendment to 16 KAR 2:160 that the EPSB approved in April but takes the recommendation of staff from the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) to file the amendment to 16 KAR 2:140 to allow for public comment period.

Action Question:

Should the EPSB approve the proposed agency amendment to 16 KAR 2:1400?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

16 KAR 2:160, 16 KAR 2:140

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 2:160 establishes a plan for recruiting certified classroom teachers into positions for teachers of exceptional children and creates a probationary certificate for teachers of exceptional children. 16 KAR 2:140 establishes a plan for recruiting qualified individuals into positions for teachers of children ages birth to primary age.

Summary: At the April meeting, the EPSB approved an amendment to 16 KAR 2:160 that combined the requirements for the probationary certificate for teachers of exceptional children and the probationary certificate for teachers of interdisciplinary early childhood education into one regulation. The amendment also removed the requirement of an offer of employment. As staff was working to file the amendment to 16 KAR 2:160, LRC staff recommended that the EPSB instead file the amendment to 16 KAR 2:140 and withdraw 16 KAR 2:160 to avoid the appearance of skirting the public comment period. The proposed amendment to 16 KAR 2:140 mirrors the amendment to 16 KAR 2:160 that the EPSB approved in April, and a copy of the proposed amendment is included for EPSB review.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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