# KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

# **STAFF NOTE**

#### **Action Item:**

16 KAR 2:020. Occupation-Based Career and Technical Education Certification, Amendment

### **Staff Recommendation:**

The Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) should approve the amendment to 16 KAR 2:020.

#### **Rationale:**

The proposed regulatory amendment was presented to the EPSB at the August meeting and received positive feedback. The amendment is necessary to recognize Kentucky master licenses in electricity, HVAC, and plumbing and exempt candidates for occupation-based certification who hold a Kentucky master license in the area of certification from obtaining an associate-degree in that area.

### **Action Question:**

Should the EPSB approve the amendment to 16 KAR 2:020?

# **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 161.028, KRS 161.030, 16 KAR 2:020

# **History/Background:**

Existing Policy: KRS 161.020(3), 161.028(1)(a), and 161.030 require the EPSB to promulgate administrative regulations establishing standards and requirements for obtaining and maintaining a teaching certificate. 16 KAR 2:020 establishes the qualifications for certification of teachers of occupation-based career and technical education and implements the testing requirements of KRS 161.030.

**Summary:** The proposed amendment was presented to the EPSB for information at the August meeting and received positive feedback. It updates 16 KAR 2:020 to recognize Kentucky master licenses in electricity, HVAC, and plumbing and exempt candidates for occupation-based certification who hold a Kentucky master license in the area of certification from obtaining an associate-degree in the area. The amendment also makes technical amendments and streamlines language to better align with current certification practices.

A copy of the draft amendment is included for EPSB review. Staff from OCTE will be present at the meeting to answer any questions.

**Budget Impact:** There is no budgetary impact at this time.

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