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**FORM 7 -- NOTICE OF AN EMERGENCY RULE (Page 1)**

AGENCY **Education**

RULE TYPE **Legislative Exempt AMENDMENT TO EXISTING RULE Yes TITLE-SERIES 126-**

RULE NAME **Professional Development for West Virginia Educators (5500) 149**

CITE AUTHORITY **W. Va. Code §§29A-3B-1, et seq.; W. Va. Board of Education v. Hechler, 180 W. Va. 451; 376 S.E.2d 839 (1988)**

THE ABOVE RULE IS BEING FILED AS AN EMERGENCY RULE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE AFTER APPROVAL BY SECRETARY OF STATE OR 42ND DAY AFTER FILING, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES CONSTITUTING THE EMERGENCY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

The West Virginia Board of Education assumes the leadership role for the coordination, design, delivery and evaluation of professional development programs in West Virginia with the passage of Senate Bill 359 during the 2013 Regular Session of the West Virginia Legislature. The legislation requires the Board to establish an emergency rule on or before June 1, 2013 and the final rule in November 2013.

BY CHOOSING 'YES', I ATTEST THAT THE PREVIOUS STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.

Yes

Charles K Heinlein -- By my signature, I certify that I am the person authorized to file legislative rules, in accordance with West Virginia Code §29A-3-11 and §39A-3-2.



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**TITLE 126  
LEGISLATIVE RULE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**SERIES 149  
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR WEST VIRGINIA EDUCATORS (5500)**

**§126-149-1. General.**

1.1. Scope - This rule provides guidelines for the coordination and delivery of high quality professional development for West Virginia educators. The rule defines/delineates roles and responsibilities among the various state and regional professional development providers.

1.2. Authority - W. Va. Constitution, Article XII, §2 and W. Va. Code §18-2-5 and §18-2I -1et. seq.

1.3. Filing Date – May 10, 2013

1.4. Effective Date – May 10, 2013

1.5. Repeal of Former Rule - This legislative rule repeals and replaces W. Va. 126CSR149 “County Professional Staff Development Councils” (5500) filed June 24, 1997 and effective July 24, 1997.

**§126-149-2. Purpose.**

2.1. The passage of Senate Bill 359 during the 2013 Regular Legislative Session requires the West Virginia Board of Education (hereinafter WVBE) to establish an emergency rule on or before June 1, 2013 to comply with W. Va. Code §18-2I-4. The emergency rule shall ensure the coordination, development and evaluation of high quality professional development programs for the 2013-2014 school year.

**§126-149-3. Goals for Professional Development.**

3.1. The WVBE will adopt professional development goals.

**§126-149-4. Master Plan for Professional Development.**

4.1. The West Virginia Department of Education (hereinafter WVDE) will communicate the goals for professional development to the WVDE, the Center for Professional Development, the regional educational service agencies, and the state’s institutions of higher education.

4.2. All professional development providers shall submit their professional development programs to the WVBE no later than June 1, 2013. Upon approval of the WVBE, those professional development programs shall be compiled into the statewide master plan for professional development for the 2013-2014 school year.

4.3. The WVBE shall ensure that an evaluation of the professional development programs will be conducted to determine their effectiveness, efficiency and impact.

**§126-149-5. Severability**

5.1. If any provision of this rule or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this rule.