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NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE

AGENCY: West Virginia Department of Education TITLE NUMBER: 126

RULE TYPE: Legislative; CITE AUTHORITY 18A-3

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES NO

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: 136

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED: Minimum Requirements for Licensure of
Educational Personnel (Policy 5202)

IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF NEW RULE BEING PROPOSED: _____

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IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON April 30, 1990 AT 9:00 a.m.

ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS.

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THE ISSUES TO BE HEARD SHALL BE LIMITED TO THIS PROPOSED RULE.

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL.

TITLE 126
LEGISLATIVE/PROCEDURAL RULE
WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
CHAPTER 18A-3, 18A-4, 18-2, 18-10, 18-26
SERIES 136
Policy 5202

Title: Minimum Requirements for the Licensure of Educational Personnel,
1975 Revised 1987 and Advanced Salary Classifications

SECTION 1. GENERAL

- A. Scope - These legislative/procedural rules established the minimum requirements for the licensure of professional personnel to teach in the public schools of West Virginia.
- B. ~~Authority.~~ West Virginia Code 18A-3-1, 18A-3-2, ~~18A-3-3,~~ 18A-3-6, 18A-4-1, 18-10E-1, 18-2-5, 18-2-6, 18-26-8, 18-26-13a
- C. Filing Date - September 6, 1989
- D. Effective Date - October 18, 1989
- E. Repeal of Former Rule - This is a revision of a previous rule. The revision adds Section 12 entitled "Licensure for Board Declared Emergency Situations." The previous Section 12, "Advanced Salary Classification," becomes Section 13.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to specify the minimum requirements that must be met to license an individual to work in the public schools. West Virginia issues four (4) types of licenses:

SECTION 12 LICENSURE FOR BOARD DECLARED EMERGENCY SITUATIONS
(Policy 5202, Section 12, Page 57)

A. EMERGENCY PERMIT

1. Definition and Purpose for an Emergency Permit

The emergency permit is a one year license designed to staff schools at the state or county level during a state of emergency as declared by the West Virginia Board of Education. Permits issued for individuals employed after January 1 will expire June 30 of the subsequent fiscal year.

2. Conditions for Issuance

a. The applicant holds a minimum of a bachelors degree from an accredited college as defined in Section 4A.

b. The county superintendent, with the approval of the local board of education, recommends the issuance of the emergency permit for full-time or substitute teaching.

3. Areas of Specialization

The emergency permit provides for the unrestricted assignment in both content specialization(s) and grade level(s) for all teaching personnel.

4. Employment Beyond Validity Period of Emergency Permit

The holder of the one-year emergency permit who is employed beyond the validity period of such permit shall meet the conditions for issuance of a permit a) for full-time or substitute employment as defined in Sections 7A and B or b) based upon the conditions described in item B 3 below.

B. THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

1. Definition and Purpose of Public School Emergency Certification Program

The Public School Emergency Certification Program (PSECP) is a field based program leading to a professional certificate which may be implemented following a declaration of a state of emergency by the West Virginia Board of Education. At the discretion of the West Virginia Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Schools, the program shall be developed and delivered by RESA, county, or higher education personnel. Each agency requesting approval of a PSECP shall design its program on criteria based on the State Board approved objectives, standards, and procedures.

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3. Conditions for Issuance of a One-Year Permit

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- e) Is employed in an assignment which is consistent with the content specialization identified in 3b.

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The applicant:

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