

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: State Department of Education

RULE NO. & TITLE: 290-3-2-.23 Career and Technical Level Certificate
Approach in Technical Education
290-3-2-.24 Career and Technical Specialty Area
Certificate Approach in Technical Education
290-3-2-.25 Career and Technical Level Certificate
Approach in Health Science
290-3-2-.26 Career and Technical Specialty Area
Certificate Approach in Health Science

INTENDED ACTION: Repeal Rules and Adopt New Rules

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

- To provide an option for individuals with a bachelor's or higher degree to become certified through the Specialty Area Career and Technical Certificate Approach.
- To recognize full-time secondary and/or postsecondary teaching experience in a prescribed program area as acceptable full-time work experience.
- To provide flexibility in certification by allowing individuals to be issued a renewable Specialty Area 2 Certificate after completing the five required education courses.
- To allow acceptance of a bachelor's degree in lieu of 36 of the required 45 semester hours of earned coursework for issuance of the Specialty Area 3 Certificate.
- To ensure that each level of certification requires submission of the occupational proficiency assessment to verify content knowledge and current industry proficiency levels.
- To allow the holder of a valid Professional Educator Certificate in a teaching field to add Career and Technical Education endorsements in selected technical education program areas or health science by demonstrating occupational proficiency (test scores, license, or credential) and verifying appropriate P-12 teaching experience.
- To allow individuals who have not met all requirements for a Career and Technical Specialty Area Certificate to be issued a one-year, non-renewable Temporary Certificate with an endorsement in a prescribed technical education program area.

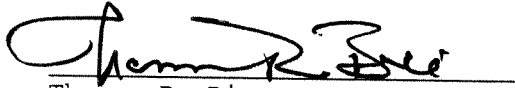
TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m., June 14, 2012, Auditorium, Plaza Level, Gordon Persons Building, 50 North Ripley Street, Montgomery, Alabama. All persons wishing to express their views should contact the State Superintendent of Education (334-242-9700) no later than June 4, 2012, in order to be scheduled on the agenda. All persons wishing to express their views in writing to the State Superintendent of Education should address all written comments to the State Superintendent of Education, Gordon Persons Building, P.O. Box 302101, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2101.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

June 14, 2012

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