

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
Mississippi Department of Education
Office of Quality Educators**

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Specific Legal Authority authorizing the promulgation of Rule: §37-3-2, Mississippi Code 1972, Annotated, as amended by Mississippi Laws 1997, Ch. 545

Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule :{ Insert citation to specific rule(s) repealed, amended or suspended N/A

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act Process: To amend the Guidelines for Mississippi Educator License K-12 "Alternate Route One-Year Certification Highly Qualified Designation for Teachers Not New to the Profession," as recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development. The guideline allows school districts to request a one-year alternate route license for an experienced teacher. The Commission approved an amendment deleting the phrase "not new to the district" on August 16, 2005.

This rule is proposed as a Final Rule, and/or a Temporary Rule (Check one or both boxers as applicable.)

Persons may present their views on the proposed rule by addressing written comments to the agency at the above address. Persons making comments should include their name and address, as well as other contact information, and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Oral Proceeding: Check one box below:

An oral proceeding is scheduled on this rule on Date: {Insert Date} Time: {Insert Time}
Place: {Insert Place}

If you wish to be heard and present evidence at the oral proceeding you must make a written request to the agency at the above address at least ____ day(s) prior to the proceeding to be placed on the agenda. The request should include your name, address, telephone number as well as other contact information; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

An oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule. Where an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding will be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Economic Impact Statement: Check one box below:

- The agency has determined that an economic impact statement is not required for this rule, or
- The concise summary of the economic impact statement required is attached.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Date Rule Proposed: 08/19/2005

Proposed Effective Date of Rule: 08/22/2005

Washington Cole, Communications and Legislative Director