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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 290 Department or Agency State Department of Education  
Rule No. 290-3-2-.25

Rule Title: NEW: Career and Technical Education Additional Teaching  
Field Approach Based on a Professional Educator Certificate,  
Experience, and an Occupational Proficiency Assessment  
REPEAL: Career and Technical Level Certificate Approach in  
Health Science

New  Amend   
Repeal  Adopt by Reference  (Check appropriate box)

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly  
harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's  
police power and the protection of the public health,  
safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation  
available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or  
indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services  
involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the  
public than the harm that might result from the absence  
of the proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely  
for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary  
effect, the protection of the public? Yes

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Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule does have an economic impact, the proposed rule is  
required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with  
subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama, 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full  
compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of  
Alabama, 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements  
of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference  
Service.

  
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Thomas R. Bice  
State Superintendent of Education

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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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**NEW TEXT**

**RULES  
OF THE  
ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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TEACHER CERTIFICATION

290-3-2-.25(3)(b)

290-3-2-.25 **Career and Technical Education Additional Teaching Field Approach Based on a Professional Educator Certificate, Experience, and an Occupational Proficiency Assessment.**

**(1) Overview.**

(a) An applicant who holds a valid Professional Educator Certificate in a teaching field as prescribed in Rule 290-3-2-.03(2) may be able to add a Class B certificate in a selected technical education program area or health science if the individual meets the experience and occupational proficiency assessment (test scores, license, or credential) requirements.

(b) The Career and Technical Additional Teaching Field approach is available only in the subjects and grade levels on Form CBP in effect on the date the application is received in the Office.

**(2) Limitations on Issuance.**

(a) The Career and Technical Education Additional Teaching Field approach is not available to an individual who holds only a Professional Educator Certificate in an area of instructional support or a Professional Leadership Certificate.

(b) The Career and Technical Education Additional Teaching Field approach is not available to an individual who holds only an Alternative Baccalaureate-Level, Career and Technical Alternative Baccalaureate-Level, Special Alternative, Preliminary, Career and Technical Specialty Area and/or Level and/or Type, Speech-Language Pathology Assistant, Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, Interim, Emergency, or Career and Technical Education Temporary Certificate.

**(3) Requirements.**

(a) An applicant using this approach must verify two full scholastic years of full-time classroom teaching experience within a P-12 setting. Partial years cannot be combined to meet this requirement. Experience must be verified on Supplement EXP. Experience must be completed prior to September 1 in order for the certificate to begin validity July 1 of the same scholastic year.

(b) An applicant using this approach must verify a passing score on the appropriate Alabama Department of Education approved occupational proficiency assessment (test scores, license, or credential). The occupational proficiency assessment requirement must be completed by December 31 in order for the certificate to begin validity July 1 of the same scholastic year.

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290-3-2-.25 History

(4) **Application for the Professional Educator Certificate.** The appropriate Class B Professional Educator Certificate may be issued through this approach when the applicant has met all of the following requirements:

(a) A valid Professional Educator Certificate in a teaching field as prescribed in Rule 290-3-2-.03(2).

(b) Supplement EXP documenting two full scholastic years of full-time classroom teaching experience as prescribed in Rule 290-3-2-.25(3)(a).

(c) A passing score on the appropriate Alabama Department of Education approved occupational proficiency assessment (test scores, license, or credential) as prescribed in Rule 290-3-2-.25(3)(b).

(d) Submission of Form CBP and completion of all requirements as prescribed on the form.

(e) The Form CBP must be received in the Office no later than December 31 in order for the certificate to begin validity July 1 of the same scholastic year.

**Author:** Thomas R. Bice

**Statutory Authority:** Ala. Const. Amend. 284, Ala. Code §§16-3-11, 16-23-1 and 16-23-2 (1975).

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