

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School
Administrators—Teaching Authorizations
(LAC 28: CXV.501 and 504)

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:6(A)(10) and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has amended LAC 28: CXV, *Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*. The emergency revisions align current state policy with recently-enacted legislation from the 2018 Louisiana Legislature related to teaching authorizations of school personnel. This emergency action is necessary in order to provide for the implementation of newly-enacted legislation contained in R.S. 17:7(6) and 17:15, from the 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature. If this action is not taken, then the provisions contained in this legislation, which pertain to criminal background checks of teachers and the issuance of Louisiana teaching authorizations, will not be in effect in a timely manner for the 2018-2019 school year, putting the wellbeing of all students in the state of Louisiana in possible jeopardy. By taking emergency action, this will help to ensure a safe environment for all children attending school in Louisiana. This Declaration of Emergency, adopted on August 15, 2018, is in effect for a period of 120 days from adoption, or until adopted as a final Rule.

Title 28

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Part CXV. Bulletin 741—Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators

Chapter 5. Personnel

§501. Criminal Background Checks

A. - A.3. ...

4. Repealed.

B. - E. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:6, 17:15, and 17:587.1.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 31:1265 (June 2005), amended LR 33:431 (March 2007), LR 34:607 (April 2008), repromulgated LR 35:443 (March 2009), amended LR 35:1473 (August 2009), LR 39:2200 (August 2013), LR 44:

§504. Teaching Authorization

A. This Section provides for the rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to establish a process for issuing a teaching authorization to a person seeking employment as an administrator, teacher, or substitute teacher in any school, including a public or nonpublic school that does not require a Louisiana teaching certificate for the employment of a teacher.

B. Teaching authorizations shall be issued in accordance with LAC 28: CLXXI, Bulletin 745.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:6(A)(10), (11), and (15), 17:7(6), 17:10, 17:22(6), 17:391.1-391.10, and 17:411.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, LR 44:

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