

**ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL**

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**STATE BOARD MEETING DATE** May 20, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Open the Rule Making Process for Proposed Amendment to  
R7-2-614(I) Provisional Foreign Teacher Teaching Certificate

**SUBMITTED BY:** Aiden Fleming, Legislative Liaison, Policy Development & Government Relations

**MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW:** May 6, 2013

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

At its February, 2013 meeting, the Certification Advisory Committee approved the proposed amendment to R7-2-614(I) and recommends the State Board open the rulemaking process for this amendment. The proposed amendment expands the foreign teacher certificate from two to three years and allows a local education agency to extend the validity of a foreign teacher certificate yearly for up to two years. Additionally, the amendment allows a prospective foreign teacher to obtain a letter from the applicant's home university for submission to the Department stating mastery of their purposed language of instruction. The change, in practice, would exempt foreign teachers from the ACTFL exam that demonstrates mastery in their native language.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: [ ] INFORMATION [ X ] ACTION/DESCRIBED**

That the Board opens the rule making process for the amendment to R7-2-614(I) Provisional Foreign Teacher Teaching Certificate

**ATTACHMENTS: YES [X] NO [ ]**

Proposed Amendment to R7-2-614(I) General Certification Provisions  
Summary of Certification Advisory Committee Minutes