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Notice of Action on Petition for Rulemaking

State Board of Examiners and Certification

Swimming and Water Safety

N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-11.10

Petitioner: Linda Bolger.

Take notice that on January 22, 2019, the New Jersey State Board of Education (State Board) received a petition for rulemaking from the above petitioner, requesting the State Board of Education amend N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-11.10 to include a third option for the entity that issues a Water Safety Instructor Certificate required for a swimming and water safety endorsement to an instructional certificate. The petitioner submitted materials to support the petition, the last of which was received on February 15, 2019.

The petitioner specifically requested the State Board adopt amendments to N.J.A.C. 6A:9B-11.10(a)4, which requires candidates to hold a valid Water Safety Instructor Certificate issued by the American Red Cross or YMCA, to add the Flotation Aided Swim Training Program (FAST Swim Program™) as an issuer of the required certificate.

A notice acknowledging receipt of the petition was published in the New Jersey Register on April 1, 2019, at 51 N.J.R. 479(b). In accordance with applicable law, the Department reviewed the petition and has determined that additional time is needed to deliberate about this petition. Additional time is needed because the Department of Health, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:26-2.3, is reviewing the materials submitted by the petitioner.

Accordingly, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(a)3 and 6A:6-4.2(b)3, this matter will be referred for further deliberation for a period not to exceed 90 days.

A copy of this public notice is being mailed to the petitioner.