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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Public Hearing. The New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing in Mabry Hall located at the Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, on Thursday, July 5, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (MDT). The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input on the proposed new rule 6.63.17 NMAC, Licensure for Attendance Coaches Pre K-12. At the hearing, the PED will provide a verbal summary statement on record. Attendees who wish to provide public comment on record will be given three (3) minutes to make a statement regarding the rule changes. Written comment will also be accepted at the hearing.

Explanation of Purpose and Summary of Text.

The purpose of the proposed new rule 6.63.17 NMAC is to establish a new license for school staff who support attendance interventions for chronically absent students Pre K-12. This rule establishes two levels of licensure for attendance coaches and governs the licensure requirements for persons seeking level 1 and level 2 attendance coach licensure.

Statutory Authorizations:

Sections 22-2-1 NMSA 1978, 22-2-2 NMSA 1978 22-10A-17 NMSA 1978, and 22-10A-5 NMSA 1978

No technical information served as a basis for this proposed rule change.

Stakeholder Engagement. Stakeholder engagement regarding this proposed rule change was held. Stakeholders included district and school leaders whose work is closely aligned to attendance initiatives.

Public Comment. Interested parties may provide comment at the public hearing or may submit written comments by mail to Jamie Gonzales, Policy Division, New Mexico Public Education Department, 300 Don Gaspar Avenue, Room 101, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, by electronic mail to rule.feedback@state.nm.us, or by fax to (505) 827-6681. All written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (MDT) on Thursday, July 5, 2018. The PED encourages the early submission of written comments. The public comment period is from May 29, 2018 to Thursday, July 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. (MDT). The PED will review all feedback received during the public comment period and issue communication regarding final decision at a later date.

Copies of the proposed new rule may be accessed through the page titled, "Rule Notification," on the PED's website at http://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/policy-innovation-measurement/rule-notification/, or may be obtained from Jamie Gonzales at (505) 827-7889 during regular business hours.

Individuals with disabilities who require the above information in an alternative format, or who need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in the public hearing are asked to contact Jamie Gonzales at (505) 827-7889 as soon as possible before the date set for the public hearing. The PED requires at least ten (10) calendar days advance notice to provide any special accommodations requested.