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To: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities of the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

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Subject: Changes for Multiple and Single Subject Teachers Prepared Outside the United States

Senate Bill 1209 (Chapter 517, Statutes of 2006) was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2006. SB 1209 changes the options to earn a clear teaching credential for multiple and single subject teachers prepared outside the United States. These particular provisions of the law are effective for documents with an issuance date of January 1, 2007.

These changes are not applicable to special education teachers prepared outside the United States or for out-of-state multiple subject, single subject or special education prepared teachers.

The requirements to earn a preliminary credential for the teacher prepared outside the United States did not change.

Requirements for the Clear Credential

The change in requirements is limited to the fifth year of study requirement. Effective with preliminary credentials with an issuance date January 1, 2007, individuals must satisfy one of the following requirements:

- 1) complete a Commission-approved Professional Teacher Induction Program OR
- 2) if a Commission-approved professional teacher induction program is not available (this must be verified by the employing agency), individuals may complete an SB 2042 fifth year of study at a California college or university with a Commission-approved teacher preparation program, securing that institution's formal recommendation for the clear credential.

A Commission-approved Professional Teacher Induction Program is a program of situated learning for the preliminary credentialed teacher. Information on programs may

be found on the Commission’s website. See the Resources section for the information leaflet. Completion of a Commission-approved Professional Teacher Induction Program meets the requirement for computer education, health education, and special education. However, training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) that covers infant, child and adult CPR skills must be verified.

Basic Skills Requirement

Teachers prepared outside the United States continue to have the option of either meeting the basic skills requirement prior to issuance of their California credential or completing it during the first year of their California credential regardless of their employment status.

Resources

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl870.pdf> - Outside of the United States Prepared Single Subject Teaching Informational leaflet

<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl871.pdf> - Outside of the United States Prepared Multiple Subject Teaching Informational leaflet

Questions

For further questions about requirements for out-of-state prepared teachers, contact the Commission’s Information Services Unit at 1-888-921-2682, Monday through Friday between 1:00 PM to 4:45 PM or by email at credentials@ctc.ca.gov.