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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities of
the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing

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John F. Brown, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Issues Related to the Limited (Assignment) Emergency Teaching
Credential

1. Reissuance of the Limited (Assignment) Emergency Teaching Credential
in a Second Subject.

A number of school districts have asked the following question: Given Title 5 Regulation, Section 80027 (b) (1) specifying that the Limited Emergency credential may be reissued only twice, can a school district request a Limited Emergency credential for a teacher in one subject for the initial issuance and two subsequent reissuances and then request a Limited Emergency credential for the same teacher in another subject for a subsequent sequence of three years (initial and two reissuances)?

This question was asked of our legal counsel. His response follows:

"A school district may request a limited Emergency credential for a teacher in one subject, obtain two reissuances of that credential, and then request a limited Emergency credential for the same teacher in another subject if the 'whole assignment which the Emergency credential authorizes' for the first limited assignment Emergency teaching credential, as that phrase is used in Section 80027 (a) (3), is an entirely different assignment from the 'whole assignment which the Emergency credential authorizes' which is described in the form accompanying the application for the subsequent initial issuance of the credential to the same teacher."

2. Statement of Need Required for the Limited (Assignment) Emergency Teaching
Credential

A number of school districts have expressed concerns about contacting three placement agencies required for the statement of need. The point of view expressed was that this specific emergency credential is available only to individuals currently employed by the local governing board requesting such assignment, and given declining enrollments and contractual agreements the local governing board is obligated to assign from the population of those currently employed. If this is a problem you are experiencing, please write to me or to Dr. Mastain, Coordinator of Licensing and Professional Development.