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**From:** Dils, Keith  
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**Subject:** CHAPTER 49-2

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Mr. Flynn,

Please accept this email against 49-2.

49-2 will have the unintended effect of taking rigorous math preparation out of elementary teacher preparation.

18 year old college students will often take the path of least resistance.

I predict most students will not seek 4-6 certification in order to avoid the more rigorous course work. This will cause a shortage of 4-6 teachers. Out of necessity, those only trained in p-3 (without rigorous math preparation) will therefore end up teaching 4-6 (via, for example, emergency certification).

Again, 49-2 will have the unintended effect of taking rigorous math preparation out of elementary teacher preparation. Teacher candidates know they need rigorous college math and math methods courses to teach 4-6<sup>th</sup> graders, will they for preschool-3?

Sincerely,

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December 5, 2006

Dr. Keith Dils  
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Dear Dr. Dils:

Thank you for your email message sent via mail and received by the State Board of Education on November 28, 2006 regarding the proposed Chapter 49 Certification of Professional Personnel regulations.

Your letter is considered official public comment. As such copies are shared with each member of the State Board of Education, the chairs of the House and Senate Education Committees and Independent Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC). Your letter is also considered a public document that may be publicly released upon request.

The Regulatory Review Act provides that notice regarding final regulations be provided to those who make official comment if requested. If you would like to receive a copy of the final-form regulation when it is submitted for final approval by the legislative committees and IRRC, please submit a written request to me at the address listed below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Buckheit".

Jim Buckheit  
Executive Director

Cc: Members of the State Board  
Senator James Rhoades  
Senator Raphael Musto  
Representative Jess Stairs  
Representative James Roebuck, Jr.  
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