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**From:** Gary Clabaugh [clabaugh@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 27, 2006 9:59 AM  
**To:** j buckheit@state.pa.us  
**Cc:** Frank Mosca  
**Subject:** Changes in Chapter 49 of teacher ed regulations

Mr. Buckhiet,

It is my considered opinion, based on advanced study in education and 40 years in teaching and teacher education, that the proposed changes in Chapter 49 will generate far more costs than benefits. Indeed, they are reminiscent of the equally ill-considered decision to require a 3.0 average of certification candidates which resulted in ruinous, if perfectly predictable, grade inflation. Therefore, I strongly urge that the advise of teacher educators be heeded and that these policy changes be tabled.

Sincerely,  
Gary K Clabaugh, Ed.D.  
Professor of Education  
La Salle University

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Dr. Gary K. Clabaugh  
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Dear Dr. Clabaugh:

Thank you for your letter received by the State Board of Education on December 5, 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 cursive script 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.  
IRRC