

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 18, 2013

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman  
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman  
John F. Mizner, Esq.  
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Regulation No. 6-328 (#2990)  
State Board of Education  
Higher Education - General Provisions

On March 5, 2013, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the State Board of Education (Board). This rulemaking amends 22 Pa. Code Section 31.21. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This one-word amendment changes the specialized associate degree curricula requirement to either 60 semester credit hours or 1,500 clock hours.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (24 P.S. § 26-2603-B(a)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:**

This regulation is approved.



  
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Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman