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TO: Members of the R.I. Board of Education

FROM: Deborah A. Gist, Commissioner 

RE: Educator Certification Test Updates – **Request for Public Review and Comment**

The Board of Regents Regulations Governing the Certification of Educators in Rhode Island requires RIDE to seek Board approval to adopt new or revised certification tests and passing scores that are required for initial licensure.

Educational Testing Service (ETS) provides most R.I. licensure tests and has revised two tests to ensure currency with the field. Rhode Island educators participated in one of the validation studies for the revised tests and RIDE staff has reviewed the standard setting process.

Revised Test: Speech-Language Pathologist (5331) **Recommended Passing Score:** 162

Revised Test: Middle School Science (5440) **Recommended Passing Score:** 150

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Rhode Island Board of Education approves, for the purpose of public review and comment, the proposed revised certification tests and passing scores, as presented.