

## AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 101, 207, 210, 210-a, 210-b, 305, 3001, 3004, 3006, and 3009 of the Education Law and Chapters 620 and 626 of the Laws of 2021.

Clause (l) of subparagraph (i) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(l) Minimum Selection Criteria by Graduate-Level Teacher and Educational Leadership Programs Commencing Instruction on or after July 1, 2016.

(1) Institutions with registered graduate level teacher and educational leadership programs shall adopt rigorous selection criteria geared to predicting a candidate's academic success in its program. These rigorous selection criteria shall include, but not be limited to, [a minimum score on the graduate record examination or a substantially equivalent admission examination, as determined by the institution, and] achievement of a cumulative grade point average of 3.0, or its equivalent, in the candidate's undergraduate program[; provided, however, that such graduate record examination or substantially equivalent admission examination requirement shall in no case apply to currently certified teachers or educational leaders who already hold a graduate degree.]

(2) Each program may exempt [no more than 15] up to 50 percent of any incoming class of students from such selection criteria described in this subclause based on such student's demonstration of potential to positively contribute to the teaching and/or educational leadership professions, as applicable. A program shall report to the Department the number of students admitted pursuant to such exemption and the selection criteria used for such exemptions.