



# NEBRASKA

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### PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS RATIONALE

**TO:** Matthew L. Blomstedt, Ph.D.  
Commissioner of Education

**FROM:** Kevin Peters, Director of Teacher Certification

**PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM:** Approve revisions to Rule 21 (92 NAC 21), Issuance of Certificates and Permits to Teach, Counsel, Supervise and Administer in Nebraska Schools.

### RATIONALE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The proposed revisions to Rule 21 are in response to public and education stake holders requests. A Public Hearing regarding Rule 21 was held on January 25, 2018. The Board will be asked to approve Rule 21 to move forward for Attorney General review and Governor approval at the February 2, 2018 meeting.

### PROPOSED REVISIONS:

1. To capitalize on the unique teaching experiences found in the work background of military spouses or retired military personnel by creating a new Military Teaching Permit. The permit will be issued for three years. Applicants will be required to complete human relations training and fingerprint clearance. They will need to 1) hold or have held a teaching certificate in another state, 2) submit evidence of two years teaching employment, 3) submit verification of employment by a Nebraska school and 4) submit evidence of a military connection in the last five years.
2. Recognizes in Rule that teaching college or community college students, .5FTE or greater in a year, will allow the Nebraska certificate holder the ability to renew on verified experience.

**ESTIMATED COST:** \$650.00 for public notice and printing cost.

**FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS INDICATE THE FUNDING SOURCE** (e.g., state general funds, federal Perkins career and technical education funds; federal Title I funds): N/A