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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents, Public School Academy and Nonpublic School Administrators, Human Resource Directors

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer

DATE: August 21, 2007

SUBJECT: Implementation Delay of Reading Course Requirement until July 1, 2009

On July 2, 2007, Governor Jennifer Granholm enacted legislation that would delay the requirement until July 1, 2009 for teacher candidates and teachers holding a Michigan provisional teaching certificate to take a three-credit reading course before the renewal of a provisional certificate or the advancement to a professional certificate. [2007 PA 32, MCL 380.1531(4)]. The reading course includes appropriate field experiences in the diagnosis and remediation of reading disabilities and differentiated instruction. You may view the law at:

[http://www.legislature.mi.gov/\(S\(4llhivit1ndzpebixj5bbtbi\)\)/documents/mcl/pdf/mcl-380-1531.pdf](http://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(4llhivit1ndzpebixj5bbtbi))/documents/mcl/pdf/mcl-380-1531.pdf)

Please notify the appropriate individuals within your organization of this change.

Teacher preparation institutions offering courses currently approved as appropriately meeting the requirements of MCL 380.1531(4) are listed at this url:
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/Reading_Course_List_as_of_Aug_07_205051_7.pdf

If you have questions regarding the implementation of this legislation, please contact Dr. Bonnie Rockafellow by email rockafellowb@michigan.gov or phone 517-373-7861.

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