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NEWS RELEASE

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Public Hearing Set for PED Rule Concerning an Increase in Educator Licensure Fees

SANTA FE – The Public Education Department will conduct a public hearing on Monday, February 15, 2010 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Mabry Hall, Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501-2786 on a Public Education Department proposed amendment of rule 6.60.7 NMAC Educator Licensure Application Fee”

The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain public input on increases to educators who are applying for New Mexico licensure. The fees would increase for licensure application, background checks, change in educator endorsements, and for the Professional Development Dossier (PDD).

Proposed Rule Number	Proposed Rule Name	Proposed Action
6..60.7 NMAC	Educator Licensure Application Fee	Licensure fee amounts do not currently offset the costs incurred by; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the educator background check program enforcing educator ethics requirements processing initial or renewal licensure applications including reviews of Professional Development dossiers

The proposed rule is available on the PED website at www.ped.state.nm.us. This proposed rule would amend the existing rule NMAC 6.60.7. The anticipated effective date of the rule amendment is March 15, 2010.

Interested individuals may testify at the public hearing or submit written comments to Ms. Flo Martinez, Administrative Assistant, Licensure Bureau, Educator Quality Division, Public Education Department, 300 Don Gaspar Ave., Room 103, Santa Fe, NM 87501, email (florence.martinez@state.nm.us) fax: 505-827-4148. Written comments must be received no later than 5:00 PM on February 15, 2010. However, the submission of written comments as soon as possible is encouraged.

Copies of the proposed rule may be accessed on the PED website at (<http://ped.state.nm.us>) or, obtained from Ms. Martinez by providing a self-addressed stamped envelope to Ms. Martinez at the Professional Licensure Bureau, 300 Don Gaspar Ave., Room 103 in Santa Fe, NM. 87501.

Individuals with disabilities who require this information in an alternative format or need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in the public hearing are asked to contact Ms. Martinez as soon as possible. The Department requires at least ten (10) days advance notice to provide requested special accommodations.

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