TITLE 5, EDUCATION, DIVISION 7.5. BUREAU OF PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations: Signature Requirements

<u>Sections Affected:</u> California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 5, Division 7.5, amend sections 70000, 71100, 71380, 71390, 71395, 71396, 71475, 71480, 71500, 71550, 71630, 71640, 71650, 71652, and 71653.

Updated Information

The Informative Digest and Initial Statement of Reasons are included in the rulemaking file and incorporated as though set forth herein.

The Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau or BPPE) staff noticed the proposed rulemaking with a 45-day comment period ending on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, by 5 p.m. The Bureau received one comment of support during the comment period. There were no requests for a public hearing and no separate public hearing was held.

Local Mandate

A mandate is not imposed on local agencies or school districts.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Bureau would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation is proposed, would be more effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulations or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law. The Board incorporates by reference the alternatives identified in its Initial Statement of Reasons and did not receive any comments that altered its findings.

Incorporation by Reference

- Form Application 94801.5 Application for Registration or Re-Registration of Out of State Institutions - Application for Renewal of Approval to Operate and Offer Educational Programs for Non-Accredited Institutions (rev. 8/24)
- Form AID Application for Authorization for Institution to Begin (rev. 8/24)
 Participation in Student Financial Aid Programs (Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965) (rev. 8/24)
- Form CREDIT Application for Authorization to Change from Clock Hours to Credit Hours (rev. 8/24)

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 Form OBJ - Application for Change in Educational Objectives or Clock or Credit Hours Required to Complete a Program (An Increase or Decrease by 25% or More) (rev. 8/24)

These forms were available upon request from the Agency and reasonably available from a commonly known or specified source at: https://www.bppe.ca.gov/lawsregs/index.shtml

Publication of the incorporated documents in full in the CCR would be cumbersome, unduly expensive, or otherwise impractical because the forms have particular formatting.

Summary of Comments Received During the 45-day Notice Period

The Bureau received one comment supporting the proposed regulatory change.

A. Email received on May 29, 2024, from Commenter 1

Comment A-1

Summary of Comment:

The commenter indicated strong support of this proposed regulatory change. The commenter stated the changes greatly reduce burdensome requirements and the changes promote innovation and efficiency.

Response to Comment:

The Bureau acknowledges the comment and appreciates the support; no text changes are deemed necessary in response to this comment.