JUSTIFICATION FOR SERIES (4000)

Personnel

(Pending Board Adoption January 2018)

Background

AR 4112.22 - Staff Teaching English Learners

(AR revised)

Regulation updated to revise definition of "English learner" pursuant to Proposition 58 (2016). Regulation also deletes material regarding the Certificate of Staff Development issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and provides a general paragraph applicable to multiple types of authorizations to teach English learners. Title of regulation updated to reflect current terminology.

AR 4161.1/4361.1 - Personal Illness/Injury Leave

(AR revised)

Regulation updated to add new section on "Additional Leave for Disabled Military Veterans" reflecting **NEW LAW** (SB 1180, 2016) which entitles eligible certificated employees to receive an additional 10 days of sick leave with pay during the first year of employment for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for a military service-connected disability. Regulation reflects **NEW LAW** (AB 2393, 2016) which clarifies differential pay for parental leave ("baby bonding" leave), including clarifying that such leave will run concurrently with parental leave taken under the California Family Rights Act, but, unlike the CFRA, does not require an employee to have at least 1,250 hours of service with the district in the previous 12-month period. Regulation also clarifies applicability of law requiring a reemployment list for employees who are not medically able to resume duties after a specified period of time.

AR 4261.1 - Personal Illness/Injury Leave

(AR revised)

Regulation updated to add new section on "Additional Leave for Disabled Military Veterans" reflecting **NEW LAW** (SB 1180, 2016) which entitles eligible classified employees to receive an additional 12 days of sick leave with pay during the first year of employment for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for a military service-connected disability. Regulation also updated to reflect **NEW LAW** (AB 2393, 2016) which extends to classified employees the same provisions related to differential pay for parental leave that were previously granted only to certificated employees.

BP/AR 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

(BP/AR revised)

Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1639, 2016) which requires coaches, beginning July 1, 2017, to complete a training course related to the nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest and to retake such a course every two years thereafter. Policy also allows a coach to submit either the Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate or the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background check. Material regarding certification of coaches' qualifications to the board and the State Board of Education moved from AR to BP.

BP 4312.1 - Contracts

(BP revised)

Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1436, 2016) which requires the board, prior to taking final action on the salary or benefits of employees whose position within the district is established through an employment contract, to orally report a summary of the recommended action during open session of a board meeting. Updated policy also clarifies the limited circumstances under which salary and benefits may be discussed in closed session and the prohibition against discussing salary or other compensation during a special meeting of the board.

AR 4112.2 - Certification

(AR revised)

Regulation updated to (1) add verification of temporary certificates for employees whose credential applications are being processed by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing; (2) add section reflecting requirements for the Teaching Permit for Statutory Leave, as added by NEW STATE REGULATIONS (Register 2016, No. 34); and (3) add authorization for the holder of the Teaching Permit for Statutory Leave, Provisional Internship Permit, or Short-Term Staff Permit to provide substitute teaching services as specified.

BP/AR 4112.61/4212.61/4312.61 - Employment References

(BP deleted; AR revised)

Policy deleted and key concepts incorporated into regulation. Regulation also updated to more directly reflect state law regarding the authority of employers to communicate certain information about current or former employees to prospective employers.