

CHAPTER 7

AN ACT concerning teacher certification and supplementing chapter 26 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.18A:26-2.6 Instructional certificate; technology education endorsement; industrial arts endorsement.

1. a. The State Board of Education shall authorize a technology education endorsement to the instructional certificate. The endorsement shall authorize the holder to teach technology education in all public schools. Technology education shall include content which is aligned to the core curriculum content standards and which reflects the standards for technology literacy published by the International Technology Education Association.

b. The State board shall issue an endorsement for industrial arts after the effective date of this act.

This endorsement shall authorize the holder to teach industrial arts which includes: graphic arts, drafting, woodworking, metal working, arts and power mechanics.

c. Teachers holding an industrial arts endorsement prior to the effective date of this act and who are employed in a school district teaching technology education or courses as described in subsection a. of this section prior to that date or who have passed the Educational Testing Service Praxis test in technology education or any other test of subject matter knowledge designated by the State board shall, upon application to the State Board of Examiners, be issued a technology education endorsement. A teacher issued a technology education endorsement pursuant to this subsection shall have all of his service teaching technology education or courses as described in subsection a. of this section under the industrial arts endorsement credited toward tenure and seniority as if rendered under the technology education endorsement.

d. Nothing in this act shall be construed to preclude an individual from holding both a technology education endorsement and an endorsement for industrial arts.

C.18A:26-2.7 Rules.

2. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act, including the development of the requirements for the technology education endorsement which shall be aligned with the core curriculum content standards.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved April 23, 2004.