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Department of Education
Office of the Secretary
Attn: Regulation Review
401 Federal Street, Suite 2
Dover, DE 19901

RE: 22 DE Reg. 716/14 DE Admin. Code 282 [DOE Proposed Private Business and Trade School Regulation (March 1, 2019)]

Dear Secretary Bunting:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed the Department of Education (DOE) proposal to amend 14 DE Admin. Code 282 on Private Business and Trade Schools. The proposal will clarify content, especially the definition of "Private Business or Trade School." Council supports the clarification and would like to share the following comments.

Private business and trade schools have the potential to provide positive opportunities for students with disabilities so Council would ask that the DOE take all necessary steps to ensure students with disabilities are given full access. Council would also ask that the DOE provide clarification on accessing application forms and the timeframe for applying for Certificates of Approval.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our comments with you. Please contact me or Wendy Strauss at the GACEC office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ann C Fisher

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