SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education proposes to change regulations relating to the Alaska state financial aid programs and to the authorization of postsecondary institutions operating in Alaska

The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 20 Chapters 15, 16 and 17 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with regulations of the Alaska state financial aid programs (AS 14.43) and regulations relating to the authorization of postsecondary institutions operating in Alaska (AS 14.48), including the following:

- update Editor's Note to reflect the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education's new web page address (20 AAC 15.140);
- update reference to federal poverty guidelines (20 AAC 15.915);
- add a subsection to clarify the distribution of reserved grant funds (20 AAC 16.034);
- clarify eligibility requirements for postsecondary education institutions' exemption from authorization (20 AAC 17.015)
- amend institutional standards for converting credit hours (20 AAC 17.060); and
- make general housekeeping and conforming changes.

This is a SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE adding to the NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES that was issued August 15, 2013, concerning the proposed regulation revisions contained in the Department of Law file number JU2013200552. This SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE is being issued because the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education is extending its public comment period through September 30, 2013.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Executive Director of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, P. O. Box 110505, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0505, or ACPE.ExecDirector@Alaska.gov. Comments received are a public record. The comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on September 30, 2013. If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Rochelle Rogers at 907-465-6718 no later than 4:30 p.m. September 23, 2013, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact Rochelle Rogers, at ACPE, P. O. Box 110505, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0505, or call (907) 465-6718, or go to Public Notice on the agency's web site at www.acpe.alaska.gov, Home, News and Public Notice.

After the public comment period ends, the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

Statutory Authority: AS 14.42.030; AS 14.43.100; 14.43.105; AS 14.43.320; AS 14.43.405; AS 14.43.406; AS 14.43.410; AS 14.43.415; AS 14.43.630; AS 14.43.640; AS 14.43.740; AS 14.43.830; AS 14.43.915; and 14.48.050.

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted or Made Specific: AS 14.43.915; AS 14.48.050.

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATED: August 30, 2013

Diane Barrans, Executive Director
Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education keeps a list of individuals and organizations interested in its regulations. Those on the list will automatically be sent a copy of all of ACPE's Notices of Proposed Regulation Changes. To be added to or removed from the list, send a request to ACPE at P. O. Box 110505, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0505 or Rochelle.Rogers@Alaska.gov, giving your name, and either your e-mail or mailing address, as you prefer for receiving notices.