

March 26, 2009

Ms. Susan K. Haberstroh
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RE: 12 DE Reg. 1203 [DOE Final Diversity Regulation]

Dear Ms. Haberstroh:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed the Department of Education's (DOE) final diversity regulation published as 12 DE Reg. 1203 in the March 1, 2009 issue of the Register of Regulations. SCPD commented on the proposed version of this regulation in January 2009.

First, SCPD suggested a discrete amendment to correct a grammatical error. The DOE adopted the amendment.

Second, SCPD suggested that the following sentence not be deleted: "The Secretary of Education believes that students achieve best in classrooms where diversity is commonplace.". The DOE agreed and reinstated the sentence in the final regulation.

SCPD certainly appreciates that DOE adopted both changes recommended by the Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

cc: The Honorable Lillian Lowery
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