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7 June 2012

THE SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1996)

APPROVAL OF A REGULATION CHANGE PERTANING TO THE NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, hereby, in terms of section 61(i) of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act. No. 84 of 1996), after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, hereby approve an amendment to the regulations pertaining to the National Senior Certificate examination as set out in Schedule 2.

Deletions are in square brackets [] and in bold, while insertions are underlined.

MRS AM MOTSHEKGA, MP

MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION

DATE: 16 MAY 2012

SCHEDULE 2

The regulation document, Regulations pertaining to the Conduct, Administration and Management of Assessment for the National Senior Certificate, published as Regulation Notice, No. R872 in Government Gazette No. 31337 of 29 August 2008 is hereby amended by the following:

Amendment of Regulation 7

- 1. Regulation 7 is hereby amended by the substitution of sub-regulation (3) for the following sub-regulation-
 - "7(3) A repeat candidate is a candidate who has failed the National Senior Certificate examination and/or the supplementary examination and who wants to satisfy the outstanding requirements for the National Senior Certificate. Such candidate will be allowed to meet the requirements within a maximum period of [three (3)] five (5) years, following the date of the first National Senior Certificate examinations written by the candidate."
- 2. Regulation 7 is hereby amended by the substitution of sub-regulation (5) for the following sub-regulation-
 - "7(5) The School-Based Assessment, Practical Assessment Task (PAT), Practical Assessment and Oral marks obtained by a candidate in his or her last National Senior Certificate examinations will be valid for a period of [two (2)] five (5) years after the completion of the first National Senior Certificate examinations written by the candidate in that subject."
- The concession as contemplated in regulations 1 and 2 above will apply for current learners as well as retrospectively for the 2008-2011 cohorts of candidates.

Short title and commencement

4. This Regulation document called "Regulations pertaining to the Conduct, Administration and Management of Assessment for the National Senior Certificate", and will come into effect on the date of publication in the Government Gazette.

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