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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to teacher certification

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY,  
DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Section 3004 of the education law is amended by adding a  
2     new subdivision 7 to read as follows:  
3     7. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL NOT REQUIRE THAT ANY APPLICANT FOR CERTIF-  
4     ICATION BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED BY PEARSON  
5     EDUCATION, INC. OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES TO QUALIFY FOR A CERTIFICATION,  
6     LICENSE, PROBATIONARY PERIODS, APPOINTMENT, AND TENURE OF POSITION OF  
7     PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE TEACHING, OR SUPERVISING SERVICE. NOTHING IN  
8     THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS TO REMOVE THE ABILITY OF THE  
9     COMMISSIONER TO ADMINISTER OTHER TESTS AS PART OF THE TEACHER CERTIF-  
10    ICATION PROCESS.  
11    S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of September next  
12    succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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