§ 1002. Certifying employment. 1. Should the U.S. department of education permit public service employers to certify employment for past or present individual employees or groups of employees directly with the U.S. department of education or its agents, notwithstanding other provisions of law, a public service employer shall be permitted to send to the U.S. department of education or its agents the information necessary for employment certification.

2. If a public service employer does not directly certify employment with the U.S. department of education pursuant to subdivision one of this section, the public service employer shall annually provide notice of renewal and a copy of the public service loan forgiveness form with the employer information and employment certification sections of the form already completed to:

a. an employee who requests a public service loan forgiveness form;

b. any current employee for whom the public service employer has previously certified employment; and

c. an employee who is ending his or her work with the public service employer.

The partially completed form should reflect employment for the prior calendar year, and may reflect longer periods of employment, as necessary.

3. A public service employer shall not unreasonably delay in certifying employment.

4. Nothing in this section shall prevent a public service employer from seeking permission from its employees prior to certifying their employment.