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Legislation passed in 2019 required the development of a process to waive the assessment requirement of teacher preparation program completion. This letter provides information regarding the process for recommending a candidate for a waiver and the process the candidate will use to request the one-year temporary license.

#### Waiver Requirements:

- The teacher preparation program must recommend the candidate for the waiver.
- The waiver is only available to teacher candidates who have completed **all** other requirements for program completion but have not attained a passing score on a required test.

Once awarded, the waiver allows a candidate to request a temporary one-year teaching license from the Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE).

#### One-year Temporary License Requirements:

- A waiver must be requested by the preparation program on behalf of the candidate.
- The candidate must apply for the one-year temporary license within 30 days of being awarded a waiver.
- Documentation of a job offer must accompany the BoEE application for the temporary license.

To obtain a non-temporary initial Iowa license, a candidate is still required to pass the required program completion assessment(s).

The electronic form to request a waiver can be found [here](#).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence R. Bice".

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