16 NCAC 06C .0378 is proposed for adoption as follows:

**PROCEDURE FOR SEEKING EXCEPTION FROM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS**

(a) The State Board of Education may grant one-year extensions of time to satisfy licensure requirements due to extenuating circumstances for individuals who:

1. Following initial licensure, have not completed the course work required to maintain a license; or
2. Have not met other licensure requirements.

(b) Extenuating circumstances shall be defined as the illness or physical disability of the teacher, the death or catastrophic illness of a member of the teacher’s immediate family, or other unforeseeable emergencies beyond the reasonable control of the teacher that have a direct and immediate impact on the teacher’s ability to complete the licensure requirements.

History Note: Authority G.S. 115-12; 115C-268.1; 115C-268.5; 115C-270.5; 115C-270.20;

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