- (iv) Remove particular schools from the jurisdiction of the LEA and establish alternative arrangements for public governance and supervision of these schools.
- (v) Appoint a receiver or trustee to administer the affairs of the LEA in place of the superintendent and school board.
- (vi) Abolish or restructure the LEA. (vii) In conjunction with at least one other action in paragraph (c)(2) of this
- ection—
- (A) Authorize students to transfer from a school operated by the LEA to a higher-performing public school operated by another LEA in accordance with §200.44, and
- (B) Provide to these students transportation, or the costs of transportation, to the other school consistent with §200.44(h).

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§ 200.54 [Reserved]

QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS

§ 200.55 Qualifications of teachers.

- (a) Newly hired teachers in Title I programs. (1) An LEA must ensure that all teachers hired after the first day of the 2002–2003 school year who teach core academic subjects in a program supported with funds under subpart A of this part are highly qualified as defined in § 200.56.
- (2) For the purpose of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a teacher teaching in a program supported with funds under subpart A of this part is—
- (i) A teacher in a targeted assisted school who is paid with funds under subpart A of this part;
- (ii) A teacher in a schoolwide program school; or
- (iii) A teacher employed by an LEA with funds under subpart A of this part to provide services to eligible private school students under § 200.62.
- (b) All teachers of core academic subjects. (1) Not later than the end of the 2005–2006 school year, each State that receives funds under subpart A of this part, and each LEA in that State, must

ensure that all public elementary and secondary school teachers in the State who teach core academic subjects, including teachers employed by an LEA to provide services to eligible private school students under §200.62, are highly qualified as defined in §200.56.

- (2) A teacher who does not teach a core academic subject—such as some vocational education teachers—is not required to meet the requirements in § 200.56.
- (c) Definition. The term "core academic subjects" means English, reading or language arts, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography.
- (d) *Private school teachers*. The requirements in this section do not apply to teachers hired by private elementary and secondary schools.

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§ 200.56 Definition of "highly qualified teacher."

To be a "highly qualified teacher," a teacher covered under §200.55 must meet the requirements in paragraph (a) and either paragraph (b) or (c) of this section.

- (a) In general. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, a teacher covered under § 200.55 must—
- (i) Have obtained full State certification as a teacher, which may include certification obtained through alternative routes to certification; or
- (ii)(A) Have passed the State teacher licensing examination; and
- (B) Hold a license to teach in the State.
- (2) A teacher meets the requirement in paragraph (a)(1) of this section if the teacher—
- (i) Has fulfilled the State's certification and licensure requirements applicable to the years of experience the teacher possesses; or
- (ii) Is participating in an alternative route to certification program under which—
 - (A) The teacher—
- (1) Receives high-quality professional development that is sustained, intensive, and classroom-focused in order to have a positive and lasting impact on