



## U.S. Department of Education Proposed Regulations on Teacher Preparation Programs

**Federal Register Public Comment Period:** December 3, 2014 - February 2, 2015  
**Office of Management and Budget Deadline for Cost & Burden Analysis comments:**  
January 2, 2015

### **BREAKDOWN OF RESPONDENTS**

Total Number of Comments Received by the Federal Register:	4,580	
Number of Comments <u>in Opposition or Deeply Concerned</u> :	4315	94.2%
Number of Comments in <u>Support</u> :	265	5.7%

*(NOTE: 90-100 of these responses were an online letter writing campaign)*

Comments were received from all 50 states as well as the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Respondents included:

- Institutions of Higher Education (Presidents, Provosts, Vice Presidents, Deans, Directors of Teacher Education, Associate and Assistant Deans, Program Faculty, Teacher Candidates)
- National Organizations
- AACTE State Chapters
- State Government Agencies
- State Legislators
- State Organizations
- K-12 Partners (Superintendents, Local School Boards, Principals, School Administrators, Unions, Public Elementary or Secondary schools, Private Elementary or Secondary Schools)
- Members of Congress

AACTE's position was to withdraw the proposed regulations and submit to Congress these policy recommendations and allow them to be debated as the Congress works to reauthorize the Higher Education Act.

The Department of Education expects to release the final rule late this summer.