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**NCTQ to Release Reviews of 17 State Plans to Implement the
Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)**
*Reviews Examine Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement of
State Strategies for Educator Equity Requirements*

WHO: National Council on Teacher Quality (NCTQ), a non-partisan research and policy organization dedicated to ensuring every classroom has a high quality teacher.

WHAT: NCTQ has reviewed all 17 currently released state plans to implement ESSA. On June 8th, NCTQ will release analyses of each state plan's work to meet ESSA's educator equity requirements. NCTQ will also release an ESSA Educator Equity Best Practices Guide that highlights promising definitions, data, timelines and interim targets, and strategies that states are proposing to meet ESSA's educator equity requirements.

WHEN: The release date will be June 8th, 2017 at 12:01 am/ET.

All materials are embargoed for release on that date.

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About the National Council on Teacher Quality:

The National Council on Teacher Quality is a nonpartisan research and policy group, committed to modernizing the teaching profession and based on the belief that all children deserve effective teachers. We recognize that it is not teachers who bear responsibility for their profession's many challenges, but the institutions with the greatest authority and influence over teachers. More information about NCTQ can be found on our website, www.nctq.org.