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Title 14—AERONAUTICS AND SPACE

Chapter I—Federal Aviation Agency

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PART 61—CERTIFICATION: PILOTS AND FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS [NEW]

Age Requirement for Taking the Air- line Transport Pilot Written Test

The purpose of this amendment is to permit an applicant for an airline transport pilot certificate to take the written test for that certificate before his 23d birthday.

Section 61.143 [New] of the Federal Aviation Regulations states in part that an applicant for an airline transport pilot certificate must, after meeting the requirements of § 61.141, make a grade of at least 70 percent on the written test. Section 61.141(a), in turn, requires that the applicant be "at least 23 years of age." These sections may be interpreted to require that an applicant must be 23 years old before taking the written test, although before the recodification of these sections he was permitted to take the test before reaching that age. Since no substantive change was intended by the recodification, this amendment is issued to make it clear that the applicant need not be 23 years

of age before taking the written test.

Since this amendment is clarifying in nature and imposes no additional burden on any person but rather relieves a restriction, compliance with the notice and procedures provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act is unnecessary and it may be made effective in less than 30 days.

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 61 [New] of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 61 [New]) is amended, effective March 20, 1964, by amending the introductory paragraph in § 61.143 to read as follows:

§ 61.143 Airplane rating: aeronautical knowledge.

An applicant for an airline transport pilot certificate with an airplane rating must, after meeting the requirements of §§ 61.141 (except paragraph (a) thereof) and 61.145, make a grade of at least 70 percent on a written test on—

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This amendment is made under the authority of sections 313(a), 601, and 602 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, and 1422).

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