

Automatic Revocation, Rule

The Background:

Pursuant to State Board of Education Rule 0520-2-4-.01(9)(a) the State Board of Education may automatically revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or renew a license for several offenses enumerated in the rule. Those enumerated offenses do not include the offense of Sexual Battery by an Authority Figure or Statutory Rape by an Authority Figure. This rule amendment adds those two offenses to the list of those offenses for which, if convicted, the educator will not be entitled to a hearing in the suspension, revocation, or denial of his/her license.

The Recommendation:

SBE staff recommends adoption of this item on final reading.

Proposed Rule Revision

Rule 0520-02-04-.01(9)(a) Automatic Revocation of License is amended by deleting the present language in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Automatic Revocation of License. The State Board of Education shall automatically revoke the license of a licensed teacher or administrator without the right to a hearing upon receiving verification of the identity of the teacher or administrator together with a certified copy of a criminal record showing that the teacher or school administrator has been convicted of any felony or offense listed at T.C.A. §§ 40-35-501(i)(2), 39-17-417, 39-13-537, and/or 39-13-527 (including conviction on a plea of guilty or nolo contendere). The Board will notify persons whose licenses are subject to automatic revocation at least 30 days prior to the Board meeting at which such revocation shall occur.