

**Teacher and Administrator Evaluation Policy 5.201**

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**The Background:**

This policy outlines the criteria the department will utilize for the review and approval of alternative growth measures pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-6-105 and the department recommendations for approval. Additional measures are still in review and will be added for the policy's final read.

The policy also makes updates to the local level grievance policy and finalizes the TVAAS measures available for achievement measure selection.

**The Fiscal Analysis Impact:**

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. If an LEA chooses to adopt an alternative growth measure approved by the board, the LEA will incur the costs of providing that measure. Costs vary depending on the measure chosen. LEAs are not required to adopt an alternative growth measure.

**Policy Justification:**

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed to be adopted as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule and/or concerns only the internal management of state government that does not affect private rights or privileges.

**The Recommendation:**

The Department of Education recommends acceptance of this item on first reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.