Agenda

Final Reading Item: IV. A.

LEA Teacher Training Program Rules 0520-02-07

The Background:

Public Chapter 571 of 2021 requires the State Board of Education to approve a process for an LEA or for two or more LEAs working together to establish an LEA teacher training program. The purpose of the LEA teacher training programs is to allow LEAs to recommend eligible educators for additional endorsement areas on their educator license. This rule establishes the required process and further defines components of the law.

The law is required to be in effect by July 1, 2022. State Board staff have worked with the Tennessee Department of Education to develop these rules. A rulemaking hearing was held on December 16, 2021. Minor revisions were made based on feedback from the Tennessee School Boards Association; specifically, by expanding the options for organizations with which LEA teacher training programs may partner, if they so choose.

The Recommendation:

The SBE staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.