Agenda

First Reading Item: III. B.

Alternative Education Programs Policy 2.302

The Background:

The State Board of Education's Alternative Education Programs Policy 2.302 further details the Alternative Education Rule 0520-01-02-.09.

This item repeals the policy because the requirements contained in policy are duplicative to the requirements outlined in the Alternative Education Rule 0520-01-02-.09. Language previously contained in this policy is being incorporated into the Alternative Education Rule that is on final reading at this meeting.

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. This item has no financial impact on an LEA.

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.

Connection to the Master Plan:

This item supports the State Board's strategic focus on Engagement and Accountability outlined in the Master Plan by ensuring policies are not duplicative of requirements outlined in State Board of Education rules.

The Recommendation:

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