Permit and License Denial, Formal Reprimand, Suspension, and Revocation Policy 5.501

The Background:

Tennessee State Board of Education Permit and License Denial, Formal Reprimand, Suspension, and Revocation Policy 5.501 details the procedures followed in cases of possible license denial, formal reprimand, suspension, or revocation and denial of a temporary permit.

This item proposes revisions to the policy to align with the Board approved revisions to its Denial, Formal Reprimand, Suspension, and Revocation Rule 0520-02-03-.09 incorporating statutory changes passed by the general assembly during the 2023 legislative session. Revisions also modify the language referring to criminal convictions and notice requirements to incorporate the Board approved revisions to its Rule.

Since first reading minor clarifying edits were made to ensure alignment of the Policy with State Board Rule 0520-02-03-.09 and to include appropriate cross-references to Board Policy 5.500. Additional non-substantive edits were made for clarity.

Connection to the Master Plan:

This item supports the State Board's strategic focus on Teacher and Leaders outlined in the Master Plan by upholding the ethical standards of the teaching profession and ensuring students are provided the opportunity to learn in a safe environment.

The Recommendation:

The State Board staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.