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**Organization and Administration of Schools Rule 0520-01-02-.31**

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**The Background:**

Tennessee State Board of Education Rule 0520-01-02-.31, Organization and Administration of Schools, sets requirements for key operational areas, including stockpile days and class size averages and maximums.

The proposed Rule revisions remove provisions regarding stockpile day accumulation and usage, as these are addressed in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3004. Additionally, specific class size requirements will be deleted, with reference to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-104 added, as class size averages and maximums are codified there.

Overall, these revisions are intended to streamline the Rule for any future statutory changes and ensure consistency with current state law.

State Board staff held a rulemaking hearing on January 22, 2026, to collect public feedback. One public comment was received and was shared with board members for their review ahead of this meeting. There have been no changes to this item since first reading.

**The Fiscal Analysis Impact:**

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Tennessee Department of Education 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.

**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 State Board of Education Rules are implemented in alignment with state law and local district needs.

**The Recommendation:**

The Tennessee Department of Education recommends approval of this item on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.