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**Reading Policy 3.104**

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**The Background:**

The State Board of Education adopted the Tennessee Reading Policy in October 2005. This policy, which has not been updated since its adoption, outlined the position and recommendation of the Tennessee Reading Panel.

Since the adoption of this policy the Department of Education has implemented the RTI<sup>2</sup> and has launched the Read to be Ready Initiative. The State Board of Education also adopted new, rigorous standards for English language arts that cover key reading content in April 2016. As such, it is recommended that this policy be repealed.

**The Fiscal Analysis Impact:**

Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-212 requires that the 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.

**The Recommendation:**

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