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**Charter School Enrollment, Rule 0520-14-01-.04**

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**The Background:**

On May 5, 2017, Governor Haslam signed P.C. 307 into law to establish the *High Quality Charter Schools Act*. Part of the legislation includes updating T.C.A. § 49-13-113 to clarify the charter school enrollment process. This item presents changes to the Charter School Enrollment Rule to align with statute.

Since first reading the following changes have been made:

- Clarifies that single gender charter schools must specify the intent to serve a single gender in their charter application.
- Clarifies the preferences for students enrolling in one charter school from another charter school.
- Provides additional time in which a charter school must conduct the lottery process.
- Allows charter schools that participate in the district enrollment process to use district lottery certification.

**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.

**The Recommendation:**

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