

## Item 18: 2023–2026 Rule Review Plan for State Board for Educator Certification Rules

### INFORMATION ONLY

**SUMMARY:** This item outlines the rule review plan for State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) rules during the period of 2023 through 2026. Texas Government Code (TGC), §2001.039, requires a rule review of existing state agency rules, including SBEC rules. The rule review requirement is designed to ensure the reasons for initially adopting a rule continue to exist.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** TGC, §2001.039.

TGC, §2001.039, requires a state agency to review and consider for readoption each of its rules.

**PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:** The SBEC approved the 2019-2022 rule review plan in October 2018.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND JUSTIFICATION:** Senate Bill (SB) 178, 76th Texas Legislature, 1999, amended the TGC by adding §2001.039, which requires the review of existing state agency rules. The rule review requirement in TGC, §2001.039, is designed to ensure that the reasons for adopting or readopting the rules continue to exist.

The 2023–2026 Rule Review Plan for SBEC Rules was approved by the SBEC at the July 2022 meeting. The plan appears on an ongoing basis in each SBEC agenda. Any necessary modifications to the plan will be published as part of this item. Whenever necessary, proposed rule changes (amendments or revisions) will be brought to the Board for consideration concurrently with the required review of the rules.

#### Rule Review Procedures

In accordance with *Texas Register* rules, the following procedures will be used to implement the 2023-2026 rule review plan.

If no amendments are proposed to a rule under review, there will be no proposal presented to the SBEC for amending the rule. If amendments are proposed, only those sections with amendments will be brought back for adoption subject to State Board of Education review. Amendments to sections that were not filed as proposed will require a separate amendment process for those sections. Repealed rules are not subject to rule review.

*Texas Register* rules specify the following two-step review process to implement the rule review requirement found in the TGC, §2001.039:

1. a Notice of Proposed Review (Intention to Review) requesting comments on whether reasons for adopting or readopting the rules continue to exist is published in the *Texas Register*; and



**ATTACHMENT**

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*Texas Government Code, §2001.039, established a four-year rule review cycle for all state agency rules, including State Board for Educator Certification rules. The rule review is designed to ensure that the reasons for adopting or readopting the rule continue to exist. The plan only includes rules in effect at the time the plan is adopted.*

Chapter Title	Subchapter Title	Topic	Begin Review
<b>Chapter 249. Disciplinary Proceedings, Sanctions, and Contested Cases</b>	<i>Subchapter A. General Provisions</i>	Educator Investigations	February 2023
	<i>Subchapter B. Enforcement Actions and Guidelines</i>		
	<i>Subchapter C. Prehearing Matters</i>		
	<i>Subchapter D. Hearing Procedures</i>		
	<i>Subchapter E. Post-Hearing Matters</i>		
<b>Chapter 232. General Certification Provisions</b>	<i>Subchapter A. Certificate Renewal and Continuing Professional Education Requirements</i>	Educator Certification	<b><u>February 2023</u></b>
	<i>Subchapter B. National Criminal History Record Information Review of Active Certificate Holders</i>	Educator Investigations	
<b>Chapter 244. Certificate of Completion of Training for Appraisers</b>		Educator Preparation	April 2023

**Chapter 230. Professional Educator Preparation and**  
**Chapter 240. Professional Educator Preparation and**

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Chapter Title	Subchapter Title	Topic	Begin Review
Chapter 239. Student Services Certificates	<i>Subchapter A. School Counselor Certificate</i>	Educator Certification	July 2023
	<i>Subchapter B. School Librarian Certificate</i>		
	<i>Subchapter C. Educational</i>		

**Review Period: 2024**

Review Period: 2025			
Chapter Title	Subchapter Title	Topic	Begin Review
<b>Chapter 227. Provisions for Educator Preparation Candidates</b>	<i>Subchapter A. Admission to Educator Preparation Programs</i>	Educator Preparation	April 2025
	<i>Subchapter B. Preliminary Evaluation of Certification Eligibility</i>	Educator Investigations	
<b>Chapter 228. Requirements for Educator Preparation Programs</b>		Educator Preparation	April 2025
<b>Chapter 229. Accountability System for Educator Preparation Programs</b>		Educator Preparation	December 2025
<b>Chapter 247. Educators' Code of Ethics</b>		Educator Investigations	December 2025
<b>Chapter 250. Administration</b>	<i>Subchapter A. Purchasing</i>	Administration	December 2025
	<i>Subchapter B. Rulemaking Procedures</i>		

Review Period: 2026			
Chapter Title	Subchapter Title	Topic	Begin Review