ATTACHMENT I

Statutory Citations Relating to Consideration of Petitions for Adoption of Rule Concerning 19 TAC Chapter 130, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Career and Technical Education, Subchapter J, Human Services, §130.283, Cosmetology I (Two Credits), Adopted 2015, and §130.284, Cosmetology II (Two Credits), Adopted 2015

Texas Government Code, §2001.021, Petition for Adoption of Rules:
(a) An interested person by petition to a state agency may request the adoption of a rule.
(b) A state agency by rule shall prescribe the form for a petition under this section and the procedure for its submission, consideration, and disposition. If a state agency requires signatures for a petition under this section, at least 51 percent of the total number of signatures required must be of residents of this state.
(c) Not later than the 60th day after the date of submission of a petition under this section, a state agency shall:
   (1) deny the petition in writing, stating its reasons for the denial; or
   (2) initiate a rulemaking proceeding under this subchapter.
(d) For the purposes of this section, an interested person must be:
   (1) a resident of this state;
   (2) a business entity located in this state;
   (3) a governmental subdivision located in this state; or
   (4) a public or private organization located in this state that is not a state agency.

19 TAC Chapter 30, Administration, Subchapter A, State Board of Education: General Provisions, §30.1, Petition for Adoption of Rule Changes:
(a) Any interested person may petition for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule of the State Board of Education (SBOE) by filing a petition on a form provided in this subsection. The petition shall be signed and submitted to the commissioner of education. In consultation with the persons in the Texas Education Agency who are responsible for the area with which the rule is concerned, the commissioner shall evaluate the merits of the proposal to determine whether to recommend that rulemaking proceedings be initiated or that the petition be denied.
   Figure: 19 TAC §30.1(a)
(b) In accordance with the Texas Government Code, §2001.021, the agency must respond to the petitioner within 60 days of receipt of the petition.
   (1) Where possible, the commissioner's recommendation concerning the petition shall be placed on the SBOE agenda, and the SBOE shall act on the petition within the 60-day time limit.
   (2) Where the time required to review the petition or the scheduling of SBOE meetings will not permit the SBOE to act on the petition within the required 60 days, the commissioner or a designee shall respond to the petitioner within the required 60 days, notifying the
petitioner of the date of the SBOE meeting at which the recommendation will be presented to the SBOE for action.

(c) The SBOE will review the petition and the recommendation of the commissioner and will either direct the commissioner to begin the rulemaking process or deny the petition, giving reasons for the denial. The commissioner or designee will notify the petitioner of the SBOE's action related to the petition.

(d) If the SBOE initiates rulemaking procedures in response to a petition, the rule text which the SBOE proposes may differ from the rule text proposed by the petitioner.

1 TAC Chapter 91, Texas Register, Subchapter C, Rulemaking, §91.35, How to File Proposed Rules (excerpt):

(k) Do not propose to amend a rule until any pending proposed action on that rule has been adopted and taken effect or has been withdrawn. The only exception is a rule that consists exclusively of definitions.

Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002, Required Curriculum (excerpts):

(a) Each school district that offers kindergarten through grade 12 shall offer, as a required curriculum:

(1) a foundation curriculum that includes:

(A) English language arts;
(B) mathematics;
(C) science; and
(D) social studies, consisting of Texas, United States, and world history, government, economics, with emphasis on the free enterprise system and its benefits, and geography; and

(2) an enrichment curriculum that includes:

(A) to the extent possible, languages other than English;
(B) health, with emphasis on the importance of proper nutrition and exercise;
(C) physical education;
(D) fine arts;
(E) career and technology education;
(F) technology applications;
(G) religious literature, including the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) and New Testament, and its impact on history and literature; and
(H) personal financial literacy.

(b) The State Board of Education by rule shall designate subjects constituting a well-balanced curriculum to be offered by a school district that does not offer kindergarten through grade 12.

(c) The State Board of Education, with the direct participation of educators, parents, business and industry representatives, and employers shall by rule identify the essential knowledge and skills
of each subject of the required curriculum that all students should be able to demonstrate and that will be used in evaluating instructional materials under Chapter 31 and addressed on the assessment instruments required under Subchapter B, Chapter 39. As a condition of accreditation, the board shall require each district to provide instruction in the essential knowledge and skills at appropriate grade levels and to make available to each high school student in the district an Algebra II course.

TEC, §28.025, High School Diploma and Certificate; Academic Achievement Record (excerpts):

(a) The State Board of Education by rule shall determine curriculum requirements for the foundation high school program that are consistent with the required curriculum under Section 28.002. The State Board of Education shall designate the specific courses in the foundation curriculum under Section 28.002(a)(1) required under the foundation high school program. Except as provided by this section, the State Board of Education may not designate a specific course or a specific number of credits in the enrichment curriculum as requirements for the program.

(b) A school district shall ensure that each student, on entering ninth grade, indicates in writing an endorsement under Subsection (c-1) that the student intends to earn. A district shall permit a student to choose, at any time, to earn an endorsement other than the endorsement the student previously indicated. A student may graduate under the foundation high school program without earning an endorsement if, after the student’s sophomore year:

(1) the student and the student’s parent or person standing in parental relation to the student are advised by a school counselor of the specific benefits of graduating from high school with one or more endorsements; and

(2) the student’s parent or person standing in parental relation to the student files with a school counselor written permission, on a form adopted by the agency, allowing the student to graduate under the foundation high school program without earning an endorsement.

(b-1) The State Board of Education by rule shall require that the curriculum requirements for the foundation high school program under Subsection (a) include a requirement that students successfully complete:

(1) four credits in English language arts under Section 28.002(a)(1)(A), including one credit in English I, one credit in English II, one credit in English III, and one credit in an advanced English course authorized under Subsection (b-2);

(2) three credits in mathematics under Section 28.002(a)(1)(B), including one credit in Algebra I, one credit in geometry, and one credit in any advanced mathematics course authorized under Subsection (b-2);

(3) three credits in science under Section 28.002(a)(1)(C), including one credit in biology, one credit in any advanced science course authorized under Subsection (b-2), and one credit in integrated physics and chemistry or in an additional advanced science course authorized under Subsection (b-2);

(4) three credits in social studies under Section 28.002(a)(1)(D), including one credit in United States history, at least one-half credit in government and at least one-half credit in economics, and one credit in world geography or world history;

(5) except as provided under Subsections (b-12), (b-13), and (b-14), two credits in the same language in a language other than English under Section 28.002(a)(2)(A);

(6) five elective credits;
(7) one credit in fine arts under Section 28.002(a)(2)(D); and
(8) except as provided by Subsection (b-11), one credit in physical education under Section 28.002(a)(2)(C).

(b-4) A school district may offer the curriculum described in Subsections (b-1)(1) through (4) in an applied manner. Courses delivered in an applied manner must cover the essential knowledge and skills, and the student shall be administered the applicable end-of-course assessment instrument as provided by Sections 39.023(c) and 39.025.

(h) [Expires September 1, 2018] The commissioner by rule shall adopt a transition plan to implement and administer the amendments made by H.B. No. 5, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, replacing the minimum, recommended, and advanced high school programs with the foundation high school program beginning with the 2014-2015 school year. Under the transition plan, a student who entered the ninth grade before the 2014-2015 school year must be permitted to complete the curriculum requirements required for high school graduation under:

(1) the foundation high school program, if the student chooses during the 2014-2015 school year to take courses under this program;

(2) the minimum high school program, as that program existed before the adoption of H.B. No. 5, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, if the student was participating in that program before the 2014-2015 school year;

(3) the recommended high school program, as that program existed before the adoption of H.B. No. 5, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, if the student was participating in that program before the 2014-2015 school year; or

(4) the advanced high school program, as that program existed before the adoption of H.B. No. 5, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, if the student was participating in that program before the 2014-2015 school year.