

Item 20:**Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Request to
Establish a Board Committee to Review and Recommend
Changes to the State Board for Educator Certification's
Rules Relating to the Discipline of Certified Educators****DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

SUMMARY: This item provides the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) an opportunity to consider the current rules and statutes that govern the SBEC's discipline of certified educators, including the SBEC's authority and jurisdiction relating to suspension and revocation of certificates, and to decide whether to appoint a committee to consider further rulemaking regarding educator discipline.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: The statutory authority for the SBEC's discipline of educators includes Texas Education Code §21.031 and §21.041.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION: The SBEC previously discussed appointing a subcommittee to consider certified educator discipline issues at its meeting on January 9, 2015, but the topic of creating a subcommittee was not posted on the agenda for the January 9, 2015 meeting.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

FISCAL IMPACT: None

PUBLIC AND STUDENT BENEFIT: The expected benefit to the public and students from the SBEC's discussion of educator discipline is further clarity on the discipline process and the SBEC's jurisdiction and authority.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS: None

LOCALLY MAINTAINED PAPERWORK REQUIREMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ALTERNATIVES: None

OTHER COMMENTS AND RELATED ISSUES: None

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