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SUBTITLE D. EDUCATORS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS CHAPTER 21. EDUCATORS

SUBCHAPTER F. HEARING BEFORE HEARING EXAMINERS

TEC, §21.252. CERTIFICATION OF HEARING EXAMINERS.

- (a) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Office of Administrative Hearings, by rule shall establish criteria for the certification of hearing examiners eligible to conduct hearings under this subchapter. A hearing examiner certified under this subchapter must be licensed to practice law in this state.
- (b) The commissioner shall certify hearing examiners according to the criteria established under Subsection (a). A person certified as a hearing examiner or the law firm with which the person is associated may not serve as an agent or representative of:
 - (1) a school district;
 - (2) a teacher in any dispute with a school district; or
 - (3) an organization of school employees, school administrators, or school boards.
- (c) The commissioner shall set hourly rates of compensation for a hearing examiner and shall set maximum amount of compensation a hearing examiner may receive for a hearing.