
Charter School Performance Framework

The Background:

With regard to its role as an appellate authorizer of charter schools, State Board Policy 6.100 lays out one of the missions of the State Board. This policy states, “A mission of the State Board is to increase families’ access to high-quality charter schools.” Therefore, the Charter School Performance Framework addresses the academic, financial, and organizational benchmarks by which schools are scored to indicate the overall success and health of the charter school. A charter school’s performance on these measures is published in the State Board’s annual report.

Since first reading, revisions made to the Charter School Performance Framework include updates to the “Acknowledgements” and “About the Performance Framework” sections.

Policy Justification:

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed to be adopted as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule and/or concerns only the internal management of state government that does not affect private rights or privileges.

The Recommendation:

State Board staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.