Agenda

First Reading Item: IV. D.

Charter Schools - Allocation of State and Local Funds Rule 0520-14-01-.03

The Background:

Charter School Allocation of State and Local Funds Rule 0520-01-14-01-.03 addresses the allocation of state and local funds to public charter schools. In the 2022 legislative session, Governor Lee and the Tennessee General Assembly passed the Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement (TISA) Act that will transition the state to a student-based funding approach starting in the 2023-24 school year. Due to passage of TISA and in order to ensure alignment with the proposed Department of Education rules necessary to implement TISA, changes must be made to the Charter School Allocation of State and Local Funds Rule 0520-14-01-.03. This item revises the rule to describe how public charter schools will be allocated state and local funds under TISA.

State Board staff will conduct a rulemaking hearing between first and final reading to collect public feedback.

The Fiscal Analysis Impact:

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. This item has no financial impact on the Department, the State Board, or any LEA or public charter school beyond the authorizing legislation.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends acceptance of this item on first reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.