

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

ACTION: R277-726, Statewide Online Education Program (SOEP) (Amendment)

Agenda item type:

Action Item

Recommended Action:

That the Committee approves R277-726, Draft 1, on first reading and forward to the Board for approval on second and final reading.

Background:

Following the passage of 2024 [HB 247](#) staff recommends updating the rule to be consistent with legislative changes. Staff recommendations:

1. Update definitions
2. Update requirements for course credit acknowledgment process
3. Clarify staff responsibilities for approving new providers
4. Update provider responsibilities relative to state testing and fees
5. Prohibit a provider from awarding pass/fail grades in SOEP courses
6. Clarify requirements when a student withdraws from an SOEP course
7. Update requirements when a provider is non-compliant with the rule
8. Update requirements for special education and 504 students;
9. Make other technical changes

Staff will present R277-726, Draft 1, for consideration and approval.

Authorizing, and Implemented or Interpreted Law: [Art X Sec 3](#); [53F-4-510](#); [53F-4-514](#); [53E-3-401](#)

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Attachments:

1. R277-726 - Draft 1 - May 2024 Committee
2. R277-726 - Draft 1 - January 2024 Committee
3. R277- 726 - Reporting Burden and Fiscal Impact Estimate Form

4. R277-726 - Reporting Burden and Fiscal Impact Estimate Form