

## UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Subject:**

ACTION: R277-705, Secondary School Completion and Diplomas (Amendment)

**Agenda item type:**

Action Item

**Recommended Action:**

That the Committee approves R277-705, Secondary School Completion and Diplomas, Draft 1, on first reading and forward to the Board for approval on second and final reading.

**Purpose of Memo:**

Staff recommendation

**Background:**

Utah has been identified as noncompliant with assessment requirements for students with disabilities based on a federal requirement in ESSA. As a result, staff would like to update the definition of Student with a Significant Cognitive Disability (SWSCD) in R277-705.

Staff will present R277-705, Draft 1, for consideration and approval.

Authorizing, and Implemented or Interpreted Law: [Art X Sec 3](#); [53E-3-501\(1\)\(b\)](#); [53E-3-401\(4\)](#)

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**Attachments:**

1. R277-705 - Draft 1 - November 2025 Committee
2. R277-705 Reporting Burden and Fiscal Impact Estimate Form