

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

ACTION: R277-309, Appropriate Licensing and Assignment of Teachers (Amendment)

Agenda item type:

Action Item

Recommended Action:

That the Committee approve R277-309, Appropriate Licensing and Assignment of Teachers, Draft 1, on first reading and forward to the Board for approval on second and final reading.

Purpose of Memo:

Staff recommendation

Background:

Rule R277-309 establishes requirements for local education agencies (LEAs) to assign educators holding appropriate licenses, license areas, and endorsements. Following joint collaboration with state legislative partners and direct feedback from the Utah System of Higher Education, staff recommends amendments to R277-309. The proposed revisions align Board rule with Board's strategic plan and recent legislative directives to streamline educator licensing while providing additional flexibility to LEAs.

Staff will present R277-309, Appropriate Licensing and Assignment of Teachers, Draft 1, for consideration and approval.

Authorizing, and Implemented or Interpreted Law: [Art X Sec 3](#); [53E-3-401](#)(4); [53E-6-201](#)(2)(a)

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Attachments:

1. R277-309 - Draft 1 - October 2026 Committee