



NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

TO: Scott Swisher, Ed.D.
Deputy Commissioner of Education

FROM: Margaret Worth

SUBJECT: POLICY REVIEW INFORMATION ITEM

Proposed Board Action:

STATE BOARD POLICY, D8, "Teaching Certificates."

Background Information:

Pursuant to the four-year review schedule implemented by the State Board Policy Committee, State Board Policy D8 is submitted for review.
Pursuant to Bylaws B8 and B5, this policy may be revised, rescinded or referred to the State Board Policy Committee for review. If the Committee, the Board President or any Board member believes that action is necessary in connection with this Policy, an appropriate motion may be placed on the Agenda for a future Board meeting.
D8 will remain in effect indefinitely until revised or rescinded.

Estimated Cost:

N/A

Supporting Documentation Included:

State Board Policy Statement D8, "Teaching Certificates."

For Additional Information on this item:

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Teaching Certificates

Whenever it shall come to the attention of the Commissioner of Education that any person who holds a valid Nebraska certificate authorizing such person to teach or administer in the public, private, denominational, or parochial schools in this state, has been convicted of any felony, or any misdemeanor which involves abuse, neglect, or sexual misconduct, the Commissioner of Education shall proceed to file or to have filed a complaint against such person, conduct an appropriate investigation into the matter, and proceed with the appropriate disciplinary action as warranted.

When a Petition filed by the Commissioner with the Professional Practices Commission results in a recommendation to the Board by the PPC, a draft order consistent with the recommendation of the PPC to the Board shall be submitted. The Commissioner and respondent may also submit orders reflecting their individual recommendations.

In non-public certificate cases in which the Board has appointed a hearing officer, the hearing officer shall submit a draft order.

Board Action History

- 10/1/80 – Prior GBU
(Commissioner duties to file teacher complaints)
- 6/7/91 – Prior 4112.21 DO
(Revised to reflect change in law and regulations)
- 12/8/95 – Prior D8
(Added draft order references)
- 11/3/06 – D8
(Deleted “moral turpitude” and added “abuse, neglect, or sexual misconduct”)

Cross-References

- 79-859 to 79-871
- 92 NAC 27, 28 and 29
- 95 NAC 1 and 2

