

1. TITLE OF RULE FILING:

Independent School Program Approval Rules

2. PROPOSED NUMBER ASSIGNED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

23P 037

3. ADOPTING AGENCY:

State Board of Education

4. RECORDS EXEMPTION INCLUDED WITHIN RULE:

(DOES THE RULE CONTAIN ANY PROVISION DESIGNATING INFORMATION AS CONFIDENTIAL; LIMITING ITS PUBLIC RELEASE; OR OTHERWISE, EXEMPTING IT FROM INSPECTION AND COPYING?) Yes

IF YES, CITE THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE EXEMPTION:

16 V.S.A. 166 (b) (8) (c)

PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE REASON FOR THE EXEMPTION:

Information not already in the public domain that is provided to the Agency and Board by independent schools as part of the approval and continued approval process is exempt from public inspection and copying and shall be kept confidential.

5. LEGAL AUTHORITY / ENABLING LEGISLATION:

(THE SPECIFIC STATUTORY OR LEGAL CITATION FROM SESSION LAW INDICATING WHO THE ADOPTING ENTITY IS AND THUS WHO THE SIGNATORY SHOULD BE. THIS SHOULD BE A SPECIFIC CITATION NOT A CHAPTER CITATION).

16 V.S.A. §§ 164 (14), 166; 2958 (e), 2959, 2973; 2018 Act No. 173; 2019 Act No. 1

6. THE FILING HAS CHANGED SINCE THE FILING OF THE FINAL PROPOSED RULE.

7. THE AGENCY HAS INCLUDED WITH THIS FILING A LETTER EXPLAINING IN DETAIL WHAT CHANGES WERE MADE, CITING CHAPTER AND SECTION WHERE APPLICABLE, INCLUDING CHANGES IN ECONOMIC IMPACT.

8. THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES DID NOT OBJECT TO THE FINAL PROPOSAL.

9. PROCEDURAL HISTORY OF ADOPTION:

ICAR Filing: 8/25/2023

Proposal Filed with Office of the Secretary of State: 10/13/2023

Notices Posted Online: 10/18/2023

Notices Published in the Newspapers of Record: 10/26/2023

A Hearing WAS Held.

Hearings Held (*PLEASE USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS TO PROVIDE THE DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF ALL HEARINGS, IF THIS FORM IS INSUFFICIENT TO LIST ALL HEARINGS HELD*):

Date: 11/17/2023

Time: 11:30 AM

Street Address:

Zip Code:

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Meeting ID: 275 702 326 939

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Meeting ID: 251 512 953 600

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Date: 11/27/2023

Time: 06:30 PM

Street Address:

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Meeting ID: 263 195 071 921

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Time: AM

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Zip Code:

URL for Virtual:

Deadline for Public Comment: 12/5/2023

Final Proposal —

Filed with Secretary of State: 04/26/2024

Filed with LCAR: 04/26/2024

Dates of LCAR Review: 06/13/2024, , , ,

Adopted Rule —

Filed with Secretary of State: 06/18/2024

Filed with LCAR: 06/18/2024

10. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/03/2024

(A RULE MAY TAKE EFFECT 15 DAYS AFTER ADOPTION IS COMPLETE OR AT A LATER TIME PROVIDED IN THE TEXT OF THE RULE SEE 3 V.S.A. §845(d) FOR DETAILS).

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Instructions:

This form must accompany each filing made during the rulemaking process:

Note: To satisfy the requirement for an annotated text, an agency must submit the entire rule in annotated form with proposed and final proposed filings. Filing an annotated paragraph or page of a larger rule is not sufficient. Annotation must clearly show the changes to the rule.

When possible, the agency shall file the annotated text, using the appropriate page or pages from the Code of Vermont Rules as a basis for the annotated version. New rules need not be accompanied by an annotated text.

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3. TYPE OF FILING (*PLEASE CHOOSE THE TYPE OF FILING FROM THE DROPDOWN MENU BASED ON THE DEFINITIONS PROVIDED BELOW*):

- **AMENDMENT** - Any change to an already existing rule, even if it is a complete rewrite of the rule, it is considered an amendment if the rule is replaced with other text.
- **NEW RULE** - A rule that did not previously exist even under a different name.
- **REPEAL** - The removal of a rule in its entirety, without replacing it with other text.

This filing is **AN AMENDMENT OF AN EXISTING RULE** .

4. LAST ADOPTED (*PLEASE PROVIDE THE SOS LOG#, TITLE AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE LAST ADOPTION FOR THE EXISTING RULE*):

SOS Log # 22-017; Independent School Program Approval;
effective 5/10/2022