KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Review Item:

702 KAR 1:160, School Health Services (First Reading)

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 156.070, 156.160, 156.501, 156.502, 156.6451, 157.320, 158.060, 158.070, 161.145, 214.034, 214.034, 214.036, 29 C.F.R. 1910.130

History/Background:

Existing Policy. The above listed Kentucky statutes authorize the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to create a school health services regulation for Kentucky's local school districts. 702 KAR 1:160 is the regulation that provides guidelines for districts to use in providing school health services to students.

Most of the changes are required by HB 98 passed in the 2014 session, which provides additional requirements for school health policies regarding students with diabetes. A few additional changes are needed to bring the regulation up-to-date. A list of proposed changes is attached.

702 KAR 1:160 will come back to the August meeting for approval.

Impact on Getting to Proficiency:

Revising 702 KAR 1:160 will result in clearer guidance to local school districts in the area of providing school health services to students during the school day and at all school-sponsored activities. This will support efforts to ensure that all students, regardless of health conditions, are able to participate fully in all school activities. School health services result in students with better health and better attendance, allowing them to receive the full benefit from instruction.

Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:

The proposed changes were presented to the KDE Internal Health Committee in May.

The Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) also will review the proposed changes at its upcoming meeting.

Resulting comments wll be provided at the June meeting.

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