

# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **STAFF NOTE**

### **Action/Discussion Item:**

780 KAR 4:031, Repeal of 780 KAR 4:030, Standards for Secondary Programs (*Second Reading*)

780 KAR 7:071, Repeal of 780 KAR 7:070, Equipment Insurance (*Second Reading*)

### **Commissioner's Recommendation**

It is recommended that these regulations be repealed.

### **Rationale:**

The repeal of these regulations will eliminate redundancies within Title 780. The first reading occurred at the February 2016 meeting.

### **Action Question:**

Should the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) approve the repeal of 780 KAR 4:030 and 780 KAR 7:070?

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 56.070-185, 156.802, 156.852

### **History/Background:**

***Existing Policy:*** 780 KAR 4:030 - KRS 156.802 gives the Kentucky Department of Education's Office of Career and Technical Education the responsibility for all administrative functions of the state in relation to the management, control, and operation of state-operated secondary area technology centers. Title 780 provides administrative regulations for the state-operated area technology centers, also known as the Kentucky Tech System. 780 KAR 4:030 states that Kentucky Tech schools shall operate in compliance with 705 KAR 4:231, which provides program standards.

780 KAR 7:070 - KRS 56.070 requires the Finance and Administration Cabinet to determine state property to be insured through the state fire and tornado insurance fund. KRS 156.852 gives the Kentucky Board of Education the authorization to carry out the purposes of the program of career and technical education. Title 780 provides administrative regulations for the state-operated area technology centers, also known as the Kentucky Tech System. 780 KAR 7:070 establishes operating procedures relative to equipment insurance for state-operated secondary area technology centers.

**Summary:** Since the merger of Kentucky’s two secondary career and technical education (CTE) systems in 2013 through HB 207, the Office of Career and Technical Education has worked to identify statutes and administrative regulations that could be amended or repealed in an effort to simplify the regulatory scheme and eliminate redundancies.

780 KAR 4:030 states that Kentucky Tech schools “shall operate in compliance with the program standards established in 705 KAR 4:231.” KRS 156.802 says that “secondary area vocational centers shall be operated in compliance with program standards established by the Kentucky Board of Education.” The program standards for middle/high schools, local career and technical education centers, and area technology centers are set out in 705 KAR 4:231, making the language in 780 KAR 4:030 redundant and unnecessary.

780 KAR 7:070 establishes operating procedures relative to equipment insurance for state-operated secondary area technology centers. 780 KAR 7:060 addresses a similar topic by providing administrative guidance surrounding equipment inventories. It is being recommended that all sections of 780 KAR 7:070 be merged into 780 KAR 7:060, Equipment Inventory. 780 KAR 7:060 and 780 KAR 7:070 both address equipment for state-operated career and technical education. Combining the language simplifies the regulatory scheme and provides an opportunity to update outdated language. Thus, 780 KAR 7:070 is no longer needed.

**Budget Impact:** The repeal of these administrative regulations has no fiscal impact on the Department of Education.

**Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:**

Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC)

This group was supportive of the recommendations for repeal.

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