KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE
Topic: Certification of 701 KAR 5:130, Drug Testing of Teachers Involved in Illegal Use of Controlled Substances Date: March 2025 Action Requested: □Review □Action/Consent □Action/Discussion Held In: □Full Board □State Schools □United We Learn
SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:
To certify administrative regulation 701 KAR 5:130, Drug Testing of Teachers Involved in Illegal Use of Controlled Substances, to avoid expiration.
COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Commissioner recommends certification of 701 KAR 5:130, Drug Testing of Teachers Involved in Illegal Use of Controlled Substances, to avoid expiration.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS 161.175

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

KRS 161.175 requires the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate an administrative regulation related to drug testing as a condition of retaining employment for certified employes determined to have engaged in misconduct involving the illegal use of controlled substances. 701 KAR 5:130 satisfies this requirement.

Summary of Issue:

Staff reviewed 701 KAR 5:130 in its entirety and determined the regulation should be certified to remain effective.

Budget Impact:

None.

GROUPS CONSULTED AND BRIEF SUMMARY OF RESPONSES:

Counsel for the Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA) was consulted regarding any potential amendments to 701 KAR 5:130.

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