

**MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:****March 2017**

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDER OF RULEMAKING TO  
AMEND RULE 5 CSR 20-100.260, STANDARDS FOR CHARTER SPONSORSHIP

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

Sections 160.400-160.425 and  
161.092, RSMo

Consent  
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**DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 1:**

All Missouri students will graduate college and career ready.

**SUMMARY:**

On December 2, 2016, the State Board of Education approved a notice of proposed rulemaking to amend 5 CSR 20-100.260, Standards for Charter Sponsorship. The notice of proposed rulemaking was published for comment in the January 17, 2017, edition of the *Missouri Register*. The required 30-day comment period ended on February 16, 2017. There were three comments received. The comments are in support of the proposed amendment to revise the timeline for submitting new charter school applications.

Senate Bill 638 (2016) amended Section 160.405.2(1), RSMo to extend the deadline for approval of new charter applications by the State Board of Education from December 1 to January 31. The statute specifies that the department has 60 days to review the application prior to approval.

Rule 5 CSR 20-100.260 revises the timeline for submitting new charter school applications to align the rule to statute.

**PRESENTER:**

Chris Neale, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Quality Schools, will assist with the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department recommends that the State Board of Education authorize publication in the *Missouri Register* of an order of rulemaking to amend Rule 5 CSR 20-100.260 relating to Standards for Charter Sponsorship, and that the State Board finds this amendment necessary to carry out the purpose of Sections 160.400-160.425 and 161.092, RSMo 2016.

**Title 5 – DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION**  
**Division 20 – Division of Learning Services**  
**Chapter 100 – Office of Quality Schools**

**ORDER OF RULEMAKING**

By the authority vested in the State Board of Education (board) under sections 160.400-160.425 and 161.092, RSMo 2016, the board amends a rule as follows:

**5 CSR 20-100.260 Standards for Charter Sponsorship is amended.**

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on January 17, 2017 (42 MoReg 85). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS:** The board received three (3) comments on the proposed amendment.

**COMMENTS:** Bill Mendelsohn, Executive Director, Charter Schools Office, University of Missouri-St. Louis; Robbyn Wahby, Executive Director, Missouri Charter Public School Commission; and Victoria Hughes, Ed.D., Office of Charter Schools, University of Central Missouri-Warrensburg; noted that they are in support of these changes.

**RESPONSE:** No changes have been made to the amendment as a result of these comments.