

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:		December 2017	
<p>CONSIDERATION TO DISCIPLINE THE LICENSE TO TEACH OF MARY ELIZABETH SCHOLL, CASE # HR 16-051</p>			
STATUTORY AUTHORITY:		<input type="checkbox"/> Consent Item <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Item <input type="checkbox"/> Report Item	
Section 168.071, RSMo			
<p>STRATEGIC PRIORITY</p> <p>Teachers and Leaders – Prepare, develop and support educators to ensure an effective teacher in every classroom and an effective leader in every school.</p>			
<p>SUMMARY</p> <p>Mary Elizabeth Scholl holds initial professional certificates of license to teach in the areas of Mild/Moderate Cross Categorical Special Education, grades K-12 and Severely Developmentally Disabled, grades B-12. Her certificates expire on July 6, 2019.</p> <p>Ms. Scholl was employed as teacher with the Independence 30 School District during the 2015-16 school year. She is currently employed with the Olathe Public Schools, Olathe, Kansas.</p> <p>On March 18, 2016, a binding probationary teacher’s contract was executed between Ms. Scholl and the Independence 30 School District for the 2016-17 school year. On July 6, 2016, Ms. Scholl requested to be released from her contract. The Independence 30 School District informed her she would be released pending the district’s ability to find a suitable replacement by the time she was expected to report for work in August. A replacement was not found until October; in the meantime, Ms. Scholl was expected to report to work. Ms. Scholl proceeded to abandon her contract when she accepted a position with the Olathe Public Schools about the same time she requested to be released from the Independence 30 School District.</p> <p>Ms. Scholl was present at the hearing, but not represented by counsel.</p>			
<p>PRESENTER</p> <p>William R. Thornton, General Counsel, will participate in the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.</p>			
<p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>The Department recommends that the State Board of Education suspend Ms. Scholl’s certificates or any claim of certification for two years pursuant to its authority under Mo. Rev. Stat. § 168.071 (2016).</p>			