Repeal LEA as Sponsor Policy 6.900

The Background:

State Board Policy 6.900 sets forth the criteria and process the State Board uses when reviewing and approving charter school applications where the LEA is the sponsor and in overseeing such schools in the event of approval. In April 2019, the Tennessee General Assembly passed Public Chapter 219 creating the Tennessee Public Charter School Commission (Commission) and transferring charter school authorizer responsibilities from the State Board of Education to the newly created Commission effective January 1, 2021.

The Commission has approved rules and policies to govern its review and approval of charter school applications which became effective in January 2021. In order to complete the transition of authorizing authority to the Commission in compliance with Public Chapter 219, this item proposes a repeal of State Board of Education policy 6.900.

The Recommendation:

State Board staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.