Final Reading Item: III. P.

## **Individualized Education Accounts, Rule 0520-01-11**

## The Background:

On May 5, 2017, Governor Haslam signed into law Public Chapter 305 which made revisions to the Individualized Education Act. The Board and the Department are committed to an ongoing review of the proposed rules based on feedback from stakeholders and members of the public. As part of that ongoing review, the Board and the Department identified clean-up edits to the rules to make them consistent with state law with regard to student eligibility, approved uses of funds, and to clarify the appeals review process and timeline.

Changes made since first reading include edits and updates from the Attorney General's Office.

## The Fiscal Analysis Impact:

Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. Chapter 431 of the Public Acts of 2015 impacts LEAs to the extent it transfers Basic Education Program (BEP) funds associated with program participants to IEA accounts. The proposed rules do not result in any additional impact.

## The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends adoption of this item on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.