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The following is a transcript of the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board Public Hearing on revisions to Hawaii Administrative Rules, held on Tuesday, July 23, 2019, at 3:30 pm in Room 158 of Dole Cannery, 650 Iwilei Road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817.

Felicia Villalobos, HTSB Chairperson:

Today is July 23, 2019, 3:00 pm. Welcome! On behalf of the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board, I want to welcome you to today's Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to Chapter 8-54 Licensing and Credentialing Standards.

My name is Felicia Villalobos and I am the Chairperson of the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. Joining me today is HTSB staff Lynn Hammonds our Executive Director.

The proposed amendments will provide for the following:

Set forth changes approved by the HTSB in regular open meetings and in response to public testimony and input from stakeholders. To repeal provisions that are expired and update portions so that they are current.

We will now read a list of the sections being added, amended, repealed and reserved as well as the rationale.

Lynn Hammonds, HTSB Executive Director:

At Ramseyer copy line 826, the current language says: Limited duty special permits for Hawaiian education shall be renewable once for an additional five years provided that the individual continues to meet the permit criteria.

The revised language says:

Limited duty special permits for Hawaiian education shall be issued one year at a time, for a term of five years and shall be renewable once, for an additional five years, issued one year at a time, provided that the individual continues to meet the permit criteria.

The rationale is:

The Office of Hawaiian Education (OHE) requested this change in the way Hawaiian permits are issued. OHE reported that at the time of the original development of this permit, their intake process was not well developed and they now realize the need to seek candidates. This change will help OHE ensure a high level of quality teachers for their students.

The second revision is at Ramseyer Line 1716, Section 8-54-23 Recommendations for approval.

Provisional review teams may make the following recommendations to the board:

Provisional approval

Provisional approval with unit conditions and/or program areas for improvement, or deny approval

Unit and program reports from continuing reviews conducted by national accrediting bodies will be submitted by the unit and programs and considered by the board for continuing seven year state approval.

The recommended revision is 8-54-23 Recommendations for approval.

The same language continues, and this is added:

Unit and program reports for continuing reviews conducted by national accrediting bodies will be submitted by the unit and programs and considered by the board for continuing seven year state approval the changes or for continuing state approval for the full term of their accreditation by an external accrediting body recognized by the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

The rationale is:

The University of Hawaii at Manoa library science teacher preparation program requested this change to avoid duplication of resources participating in more than one national accreditation review of their program. This will allow programs that obtain national or international accreditation to receive state approval for the same term of their national or international accreditation.

Felicia Villalobos:

Now we will describe the procedure we will follow this afternoon.

This hearing is being held in accordance with the scheduled Public Hearing Notice which was published in the Star-Advertiser newspaper on June 21, 2019 and posted on the HTSB website.

Only testimony about the proposed amendments will be permitted at this hearing because that is the sole purpose of this hearing.

Those giving testimony are asked to cite the particular section and page being addressed.

We will receive testimony only from those who have signed up in person to testify or call on our conference call number.

All testimony presented orally today will be recorded. Testimony will be limited to two minutes per person. The board members may ask questions of those who testify if there is a need to clarify an idea.

Written testimony by persons who choose not to appear at this hearing or who could not attend will be considered before the amendments to the licensing and credentialing standards are adopted.

Such testimony is due no later than today, July 23, 2019.

All written testimony received will be carefully reviewed before the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board takes final action to adopt the proposed amendments.

We will now receive testimony.

There are no testifiers for this hearing so this hearing is now adjourned at 5:00 o'clock Tuesday, July 23, 2019.