

New Business Item 22-28
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TITLE: Recency Policy for Board Approved Licensure Exams

Effective January 1, 2023, the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board shall accept all official passing scores from Board approved exams completed within five (5) years prior to the application of licensure.

Official passing scores from Board approved exams that are older than five (5) years will be accepted on a case-by-case basis.

Rationale/Background:

Part of HTSB's mission is to provide every child in Hawaii with qualified teachers. Aligning Board approved exams with current national content standards and ensuring test validity is one way HTSB can certify that educators are up to date in the content in which they will be teaching.

HTSB's primary testing vendor is Educational Testing Services (ETS). ETS regenerates many of their high volume exams every 5 to 7 years depending on test validity and national standards. Low volume exams are not regenerated as often. ETS only keeps official testing score reports for 10 (ten) years. After ten years, score reports are purged.

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Referred to: Teacher Standards Committee