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## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM NO:** 5.1

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, September 9, 2025

**NEW BUSINESS ITEM:** Consideration of Revisions to Policy GCQF,

Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional

Staff Members (first reading)

**SUBMITTED BY:** Mindy Westover, Associate Superintendent

PRESENTED BY: Mindy Westover, Associate Superintendent

Revisions to Policy GCQF, Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members are recommended to bring the policy into alignment with Senate Bill 1659, which amended A.R.S. §15-350. This amendment establishes new statutory requirements for schools and school districts when requesting information from the Department of Education regarding allegations of misconduct by employees who have resigned or otherwise separated from employment.

Accordingly, a new section has been added to the policy addressing provisions of the State Board of Education. The revisions specify the following:

- A school or school district that employs, or is considering the employment of, an individual may request information from the State Board of Education regarding allegations of misconduct, applicable to both certificated and noncertificated individuals.
- The State Board of Education is required to provide such information unless disclosure would impede an active investigation. In such cases, the information must be released once the investigation has been concluded.

These revisions ensure that district policy remains consistent with state law and current regulatory guidance.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** I move that the governing board approve the revisions to Policy GCQF, *Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members*, as presented.