SUMMARY OF RULES AMENDMENTS

DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION RULES GOVERNING THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR ARKANSAS EDUCATORS

The proposed amendments incorporate the provisions of Acts 96 of 2021. In summary, Act 96 amended the timeline requirements of response times given for educators under investigation for alleged violations of the Code of Ethics. The Professional Licensure Standards Board governs the Code of Ethics for Arkansas Educator's as well as enforces the code of ethics. The response time given to educators was amended to allow for more flexibility for the staff as well as the educator to stick to the statutory investigation and hearing requirements.

POST-PUBLIC COMMENT AMENDMENTS

Following public comment, only non-substantive clarifying and technical changes were made.