

OFFICE OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT, OVERSIGHT AND RECOVERY
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
February 16-17, 2012

OFFICE OF SAFE AND ORDERLY SCHOOLS

- 09.I. Approval to revise State Board Policy 7903 – Driver Training/Motor Vehicle Record Check
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with no public comment)

The suggested changes to State Board Policy 7903 – Driver Training/Motor Vehicle Record Check are underlined in bold and the deletions are strikethroughs.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached



Mississippi Department of Education

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ADOPTION DATE:	REVISION: March 21, 2012 April 16, 1993

STATE BOARD POLICY

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- (4) Proper care and use of the school bus
- (5) Proper discipline procedures
- (6) Railroad crossings
- (7) Proper bus evacuation drill procedures

The State Department of Education shall provide school districts with ongoing technical assistance regarding training for school bus drivers.

In addition, school districts shall annually acquire from the Mississippi Department of Education, Division of Transportation, a certified copy of the motor vehicle record of all regular, substitute and replacement bus drivers. The school district shall maintain a current file of the motor vehicle record for all bus drivers. An individual driver record review shall be completed prior to any driver being assigned a school bus for the purpose of transporting pupils.



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