

**02/25/2008
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

Room 1-100, William B. Travis Building, 1701 North Congress Avenue

The Texas Education Agency will conduct a stakeholder meeting to solicit public comments and suggestions regarding whether, pursuant to the authority granted in Texas Education Code (TEC), §22.0834(j), the commissioner of education should adopt rules to implement TEC, Chapter 22, School District Employees and Volunteers, Subchapter C, Criminal History Records, §22.0834, Criminal History Record Information Review of Certain Contract Employees.

Comments are solicited regarding the content of a proposed rule, including addressing issues such as:

- (1) defining "an entity that contracts with a school district, open-enrollment charter school, or shared services arrangement to provide services," as referenced in TEC, §22.0834(a) (Consideration should be given to whether the word "contracts" includes informal agreements to provide services and whether the phrase should include individuals, governmental agencies, non-profit associations with members rather than employees, subcontractors, and other entities that do not directly contract with a school entity.);
- (2) defining "continuing duties with respect to the contracted services," as referenced in TEC, §22.0834(a)(1); and
- (3) defining "direct contact with students," as referenced in TEC, §22.0834(a)(2).

Groups or individuals who wish to present written information or to speak at the meeting should register their intent to speak by telephone or fax and submit their written comments, if any, by mail, delivery, or fax by 12:00 noon on Friday, February 22, 2008. Since it is anticipated that there may be many groups and individuals who wish to make comments, the time allowed for each speaker may be limited to three minutes, and stakeholders with similar interests are encouraged to present their comments through a group representative.

Individuals who wish to speak at the meeting or submit written comments should contact:

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