

**Proposed Amendment to the
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment

This amendment would remove the state mariachi festival from pilot status and sanction the event in the UIL *Constitution & Contest Rules*.

B. Factual and Policy Justifications

UIL implemented a state mariachi festival pilot in 2016. In its first year (2016) there were 55 schools that qualified and participated. In its second year (2017) the number of schools that qualified and participated grew to 70. We believe sanctioning this event will continue to foster the growth and development of mariachi music in our schools.

C. Proposed Amendment

Section 1115 would be added to the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* as follows:

SECTION 1115: STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL.

A STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ANNUALLY. ALL RULES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING THE EVENT SHALL BE FOLLOWED, AS DEFINED IN THE STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL MANUAL.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective August 1, 2018.