<u>Proposed Amendment to the</u> University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules

A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Recommendation

This recommendation amends Section 303, Rule Promulgation Process, UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

B. Factual and Policy Justifications

This recommendation cleans up some language in Section 303 regarding the publication of proposed rules and also makes the online version of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules the official version of the rules. This step will make it more cost effective and efficient to publish the Constitution and Contest Rules by eliminating the need to publish large numbers of hard copies and greatly reduce the expense of mailing updated volumes to member districts and schools.

C. Proposed Recommendation

Section 303: RULE PROMULGATION PROCESS; OFFICIAL EDITION

- (a) FILING, RULE SUBMISSION, PUBLICATION. The UIL order finally adopting a rule shall be filed with and submitted to the Commissioner of Education for its approval and, ONCE APPROVED, THE RULE SHALL BE published ON THE UIL WEBSITE IN THE ONLINE VERSION OF THE UIL CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES AS WELL AS in the next available *Leaguer* or other UIL bulletin-and annually in a complete edition of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules. THE OFFICIAL EDITION OF THE UIL CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES SHALL BE THE VERSION PUBLISHED ON THE UIL WEBSITE AS OF AUGUST 10TH OF EACH YEAR.
- (b) CONTENTS OF PROPOSED RULES PUBLICATION. The publication of the A PROPOSED rule shall include:
 - (1) a reasoned justification of the rule; and
 - (2) an indication of any change between the text of the proposed rule as noticed previously and that adopted, with reasons for the change.
- (c) RECORD OF RULE-MAKING PROCESS. The EXECUTIVE Director of the UIL shall maintain AN ACCURATE AND UP-TO-DATE EDITION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES ON THE UIL WEBSITE AND a record of rules adopted. WHEN ERRORS OF GRAMMAR, SPELLING OR SIMILAR MISTAKES ARE NOTED IN THE CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY APPROVE NON-SUBSTANTIVE EDITS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES.

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

This recommendation should not have a fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2016, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.