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VSBE DRAFT Discussion Document

Current VSBE Rules regarding 3.0 GPA:

5300 PROCESSES FOR BECOMING LICENSED,

5310 *"The applicant has successfully completed and been recommended for licensure by a Vermont educator preparation program..."*

5320 INTERSTATE AGREEMENT

5322 *"An applicant who is not licensed, and has successfully completed a state-approved or CAEP approved education preparation program..."*

5900 APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS

5924.7 *"To earn a recommendation from an education preparation program, upon completion of the program a candidate shall achieve an overall 3.0 grade point average and 3.0 grade point average in the field of major study as defined by the institution"*

Possible Option	Possible Impact	For Further Investigation
In cases where applicant does not have a 3.0 GPA a higher Praxis II cut score is required	Not all endorsements require a Praxis II exam	
In cases where applicant does not have a 3.0 GPA a higher Praxis Core cut score is required	Increase in waiver requests and restricted licenses	Would the alternate exams (GRE, SAT and ACT) cut scores need to be changed?
Applicant must have a 3.0 in content for licensure	Further analysis of transcripts by licensing specialists increase processing time	What is identified as "content"?
Applicant must have 3.0 GPA in advanced degree		Would the advanced degree need to be in education?
Applicant must have 3.0 GPA in advance course series (alignment)	Not all endorsements have alignments Educator Preparation Programs and/or alternate professional learning organizations (e.g. VT-HEC)	
Lower 3.0 GPA requirement		Impact on current NASDTEC Agreement Impact on pre-service educator quality Impact on ROPA reviews