



# Summary of Proposed Changes to GaPSC Educator Ethics Rules

July 11, 2019 Initiation

Public Comment Period: July 29, 2019 – August 27, 2019

At its July 11, 2019, meeting, the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) initiated the rulemaking process for the Educator Ethics rules listed below. Summaries of proposed rule changes are provided below and the **proposed rules are available at:**

<http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx>.

The public comment period for these rules is open from **July 29, 2019, through August 27, 2019**. Written comments related to these rules must be submitted via e-mail ([RulesComments@GaPSC.com](mailto:RulesComments@GaPSC.com)) or via regular mail (200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1702, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032). Commissioners will consider formal adoption of the proposed rules during their regular meeting on September 12, 2019.

Educator Ethics Rule Changes		
Rule #	Rule Name	Summary of Rules Action
505-6--01	<b>The Code of Ethics for Educators</b>	The proposed revisions to Georgia's Code of Ethics for Educators clarifies a definition, identifies "under the influence" indicators, and amends language in the grounds that shall be considered cause for disciplinary action.
505-6-.05	<b>Review of Initial Decision of Administrative Law Judge</b>	The proposed rule revision aligns the code section quoted within the rule to reflect the revised code section in the Official Code of Georgia, and clarifies when the Administrative Law Judge's order becomes effective.