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Overview

The Iowa Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE) establishes standards for educational practitioners pursuant to its authority under Iowa Code chapter 272. The BOEE is charged with the overall responsibility of regulating the licensure standards for teachers, administrators, para-educators, and coaches. The BOEE sets standards for the issuance of licenses, certificates, and authorizations to educational practitioners and sets standards for license renewal. The BOEE also investigates ethics complaints and monitors compliance of licensees with orders issued by the BOEE.

Licensing

The BOEE processes approximately 30,000 educational practitioner applications per year and issued a total of 29,665 licenses, authorizations, and designations in FY 2022. Licensure fees are collected by the BOEE, with 25.0% of the collected fees being transferred into the State General Fund and the remaining 75.0% being used to cover the operational costs of the BOEE. The BOEE has proposed a new special education endorsement and continues to review secondary endorsement criteria in response to educator shortages in certain areas.

Ethics Complaints

The BOEE receives and investigates approximately 200 educational practitioner ethics complaints per year. If the BOEE finds probable cause, a hearing notice is issued, and an administrative law judge conducts a hearing. The BOEE is represented by the Attorney General's office. A complaint is to be resolved in 180 days unless good cause can be shown for an extension of this limitation.

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More Information

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