DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Repeal of Chapter 8-500 and Adoption of Chapter 8-510
Hawaii Administrative Rules

March 18, 2014

SUMMARY


2. Chapter 8-510, Hawaii Administrative Rules, entitled "Appeals", is adopted.
HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

TITLE 8

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SUBTITLE 5

CHARTER SCHOOLS

CHAPTER 500

HAWAII PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS PROBATION AND REVOCATION PROCEDURES

REPEALED

§8-500-1 to §8-500-6 Repealed. [APR 04 2014]

§8-510-2 Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless a different meaning clearly appears in the context:
"Appellant" means the party taking an appeal.

§8-510-3 When appeal allowed. An appeal may only be taken from a decision by an authorizer as provided by law to:
(1) Deny approval of a start-up or conversion charter school application;
(2) Deny renewal of a charter contract; or

§8-510-4 When appeal taken. An appeal shall be filed with the board within twenty-one days after the applicant's or the charter school's receipt of the notification of the authorizer's decision. For these purposes, an authorizer's notification of decision shall be deemed received three days after the date of mailing to the applicant or charter school as computed in accordance with section 8-510-14. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)

§8-510-5 Notice of appeal. An appeal shall commence by the filing of a notice of appeal which shall clearly identify the appellant, contact information for the appellant, and the decision being appealed. The appellant shall file the notice of appeal with the board in accordance with section 8-2-2, and shall serve a copy upon the authorizer at the office of the authorizer. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)
§8-510-6 Record on appeal. Within seven days of
the filing of the notice of appeal, the authorizer
shall transmit to the board the entire record relating
to the decision being appealed, and shall transmit to
the appellant an index of the record which was
transmitted to the board. [Eff APR 04 2014 ] (Auth:
HRS §302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)

§8-510-7 Opening brief. Within ten days after
the filing of the notice of appeal, the appellant
shall file with the board and serve upon the
authorizer an opening brief, which shall contain the
following:

(1) A concise statement of the case, setting
forth the nature of the case, the course and
disposition of the proceedings by the
authorizer, and the facts material to
consideration of the questions and points
presented. In presenting those material
facts, the appellant shall clearly set forth
all supporting and contradictory evidence
that was presented to, or considered by, the
authorizer;

(2) The argument, containing contentions of the
appellant on the points presented and the
reasons therefor, with citations to the
authorities, rules, statutes, and parts of
the record relied upon; and

(3) A conclusion, stating with particularity the
relief sought. [Eff APR 04 2014 ] (Auth:
HRS §302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)

§8-510-8 Answering brief. Within ten days of
being served with appellant’s opening brief, the
authorizer shall file with the board and serve upon
the appellant an answering brief in response to the
opening brief. [Eff APR 04 2014 ] (Auth: HRS
§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)
§8-510-9 Reply brief. (a) Within seven days of being served with the authorizer's answering brief, the appellant may, but is not required to, file with the board and serve upon the authorizer a reply brief in response to the answering brief.

(b) The reply brief shall respond only to arguments raised in the answering brief. Any argument raised for the first time in the reply brief shall be disregarded. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)


§8-510-11 Decision on appeal. (a) Upon review of the record, the board may affirm the decision of the authorizer, remand the case with instructions for further proceedings, or reverse or modify the decision if the substantial rights of the appellant may have been prejudiced because the authorizer's decision is:

1. In violation of statutory or regulatory provisions;
2. In excess of the authority or jurisdiction of the authorizer;
3. Made upon unlawful procedure;
4. Affected by other error of law;
5. Clearly erroneous in view of the reliable, probative, and substantial evidence on the whole record; or
6. Arbitrary or capricious, or characterized by abuse of discretion or clearly unwarranted exercise of discretion.

(b) The board shall review an appeal and issue a final decision within sixty calendar days of the filing of the notice of appeal. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)
§8-510-12 Page limits for briefs. (a) An opening or answering brief shall not exceed thirty double-spaced pages, and a reply brief shall not exceed fifteen double-spaced pages, exclusive of indexes and appendices.

(b) An authorizer or appellant may request an increase in the number of pages beyond the limits defined in subsection (a) which may be granted by the board at its discretion, provided that any such request shall not toll the time for filing of the brief. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)

§8-510-13 Failure to meet deadlines. The board shall have full discretion to dismiss an appeal where the appellant fails to meet any of the deadlines in this chapter. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§302D-15, 302D-22)

§8-510-14 Computation of time. The time in which any act provided in this chapter is to be done is computed by excluding the first day and including the last, unless the last day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday and then it is also excluded. When the prescribed period of time is less than seven days, Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays within the designated period shall be excluded in the computation. [Eff APR 04 2014] (Auth: HRS §§302A-1112) (Imp: HRS §§91-2)
The repeal of chapter 8-500, Hawaii Administrative Rules, and adoption of chapter 8-510, Hawaii Administrative Rules, on the Summary Page dated March 18, 2014, were repealed and adopted, respectively, on March 18, 2014, following a public hearing held on March 11, 2014, after public notice was given in the Honolulu Star Advertiser (published February 6, 2014), The Garden Island (published February 6, 2014), The Maui News (published February 2, 2013), West Hawaii Today (published February 5, 2014), and Hawaii Tribune-Herald (published February 5, 2014).

They shall take effect ten days after filing with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

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