

Policy Proposal Development

The Policy Committee currently has four policy proposal batches in various stages of development. These will update the July 2009 edition.

- **Batch 166:** This batch of seven policy proposals was distributed for comment on December 18, 2009, with comments due on January 8, 2010. The Governing Board will consider these seven proposals on March 18, 2010.
- **Batch 167:** This batch of seven policy proposals was distributed for comment on January 8, 2010, with comments due on January 29, 2010. The Governing Board will consider the proposals from Batch 167 during its meeting on March 18, 2010.
- **Batch 168:** This batch of 14 policy proposals was distributed for comment on January 29, 2010 with comments due on February 19, 2010. The Governing Board will consider the proposals from Batch 168 at its meeting on April 15, 2010.
- **Batch 169:** This final batch of 18 policy proposals was distributed for comment on February 19, 2010 with comments due on March 12, 2010. The Governing Board will consider the proposals from Batch 169 at its meeting on April 15, 2010.

Final Rules Addressed

Upon publication of the final rules on October 28 and 29, 2009, the Committee identified all areas in the Manual where revisions were needed. The Committee worked diligently over the past several months and is happy to report that with the issuance of Batch 169, all of the regulatory changes that stemmed from HEOA have been addressed. From these changes, the Committee produced a total of 49 proposals, all of which will be included in the July 2010 publication of the *Common Manual* upon final approval of the Governing Board.

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