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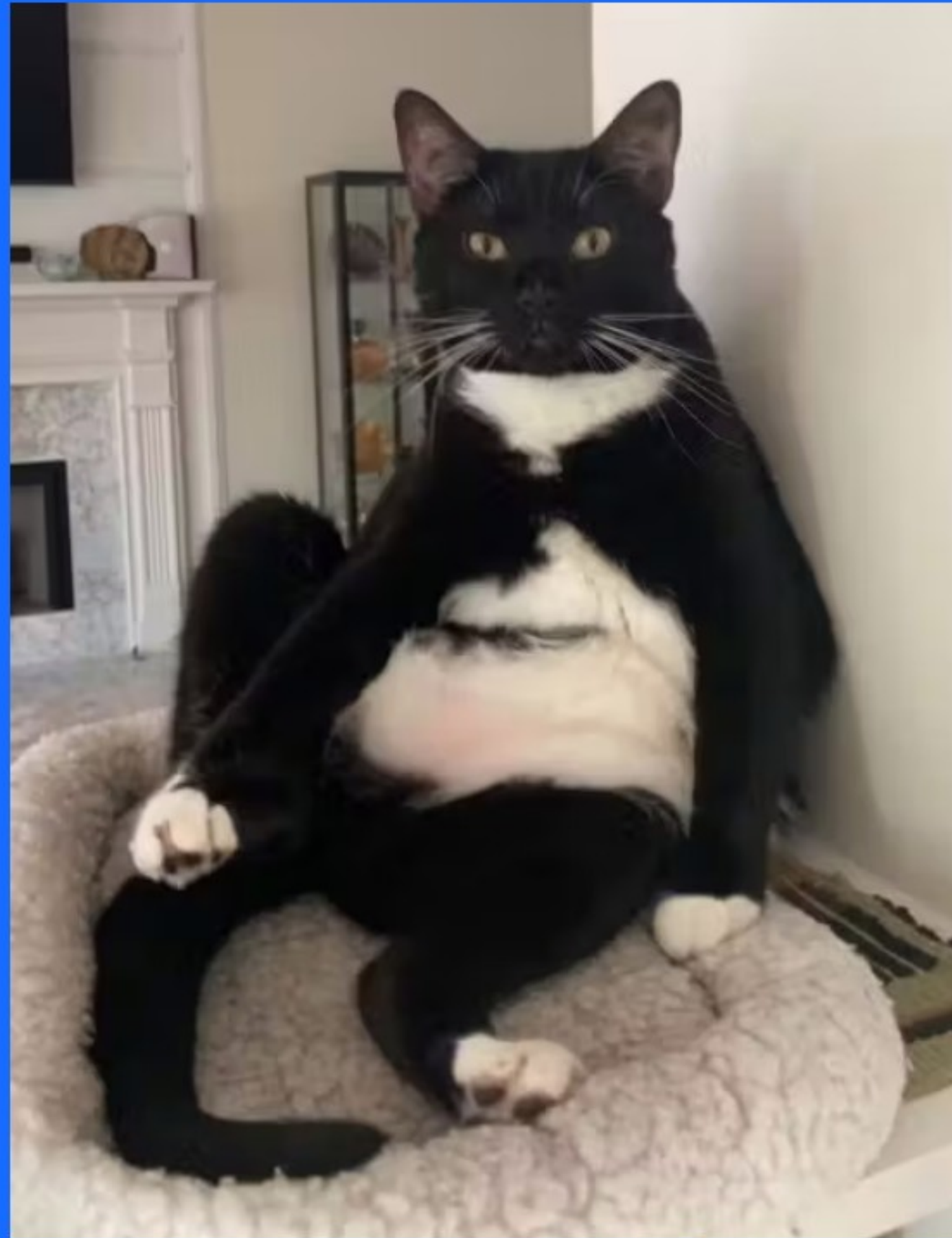


2024 SPE Annual Conference

Policy Modification Process: 2024 Wrap-Up & Look Ahead to 2025

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Now that you've learned a bit about us,
what about you?

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Agenda

- Where we've been
- Where we are
- Where we're going



Where we've been

- How did we get here?
- Why the Policy Modification Process ("PMP")?
- PMPs With 4 RSC Affirmative Votes





Where we've been - A bit of history: In what year was the first "SARA Policy Manual" published?





Why the Policy Modification Process ("PMP")

- Dissatisfaction
- Collaboration



PMPs With 4 RSC Affirmative Votes

- 619: Responsibilities for Resolving Complaints
- 621: Definition - SARA Policy
- 622: Removal of Definition "Rule"
- 627: Change to Loss of Institutional Eligibility



PMPs With 4 RSC Affirmative Votes, Continued

- 628: Changes to Provisional
- 630: Aligning Professional Licensure Disclosure Requirements
- 632: Off-Ramp from Provisional Status
- 636: 8.2(f)(2) & 8.2(f)(4) Revise the Amendment Periods





PMPs With 4 RSC Affirmative Votes, Continued

- 641: Changes to Complaints Data Collections
- 669: SARA Policy Manual





Where we are

- Lessons Learned During the 2024 PMP Process
- SPE Involvement/Engagement



If you could change one thing about the 2024 PMP Process, what would it be?

Pre screening committee

More communication among regions.

Start it earlier.

The ability to work out wordsmithing

Less proposals :)

more and more robust inter-compact cooperation to solve issues with proposals before final vote

Not having weekly RSC meetings to hash over "May" or "should" for 20 minutes

Submit feedback from RSCs earlier so less get denied over one word!

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If you could change one thing about the 2024 PMP Process, what would it be?

More engagement on the front end. There was improvement this year, but can still go further.

Earlier (before Jan) collaboration among regions would be helpful.

easier way to compare similar proposals

Mini pre conference sessions to explain the process for newbies

More collaborating to work on joining proposals and aligning them.

Engage earlier with proposers

Earlier negotiation to get proposals across the finish line. A few were close and could have happened with minor wording changes.

Use subcommittees to help



If you could change one thing about the 2024 PMP Process, what would it be?

Have a better on ramp to pre-vet proposals from individuals as opposed to those from collective entities.

Convening of reps from compacts for technical language support

Divide and conquer to review proposals

To be completed on a revolving basis, not every year.

RSCs across regions developing proposals together prior to submission.

Combine proposals focused on the same section

More clear communication to participants regarding working groups, consensus discussions, etc

Redundant proposed modifications



SPE Involvement/Engagement





Thank you!

- RSC Chairs/PIT Crew Working Group
- PIT Crew
- Alignment Meeting Participants
- Impact Analysis Group
- Regional Policy Subcommittees



Where we're going

- Homework time - Top 4 Policy Areas of Concern or Focus
- Breakout Groups
- Future SPE Involvement Opportunities





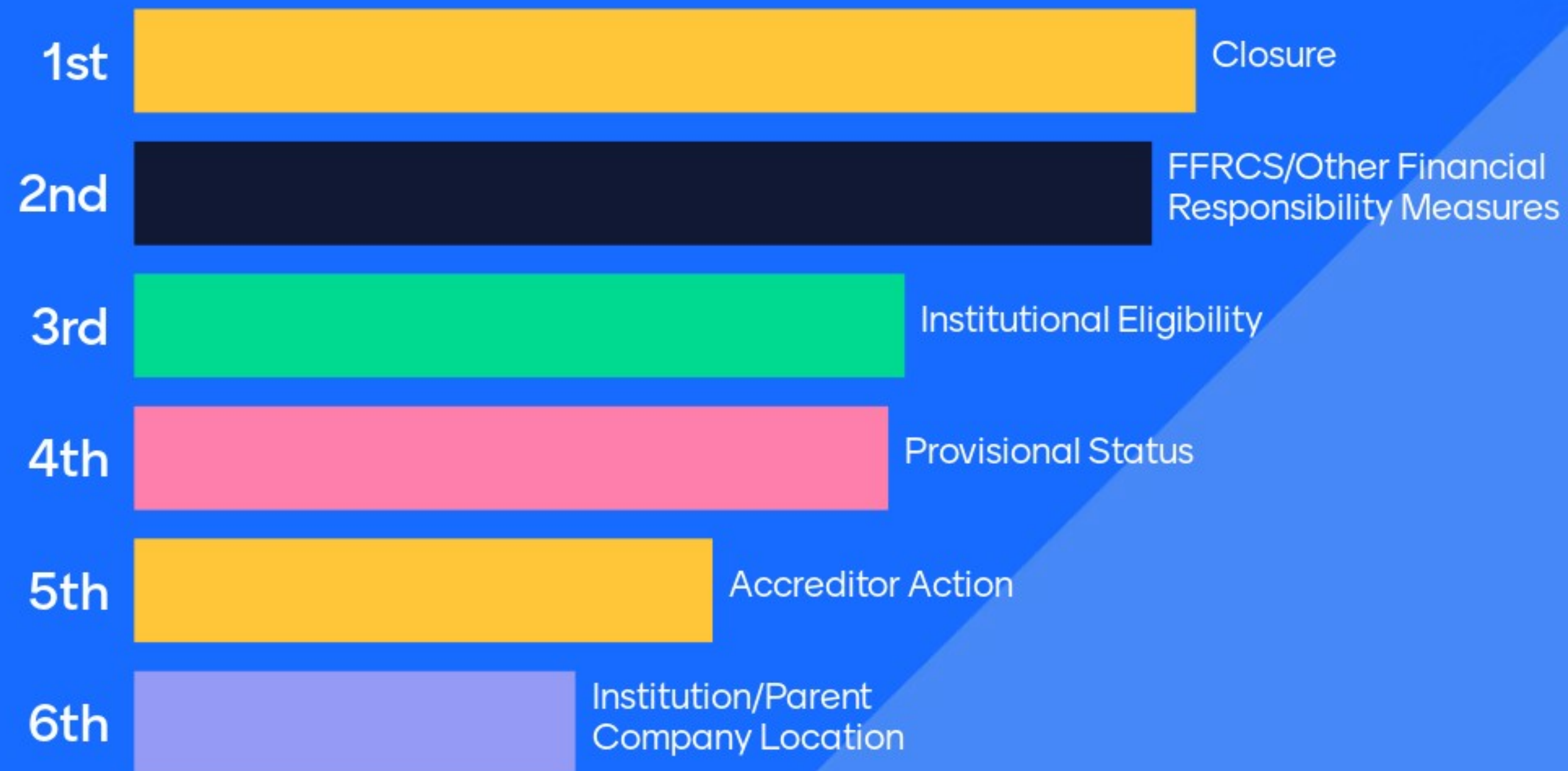
PMPs With 3 Affirmative Votes

- 612: Provisional Status Reason and Disclosure
- 623: Offerings military, language clarification
- 624: Developing & Amending Operations
- 625: State Renewal Options
- 631: SPE ability to review new institution applicant
- 633: Timely Financial Responsibility Composite Scores
- 634: 8.2(c) - Ability to revise the SARA Policy Manual
- 635: 8.2(f) - Clarify the types of Modifications
- 639: 4.5(c) - Where to Submit Student Complaints
- 657: Provisional Status - Accreditor Sanction





These are the top 6 topics from the homework.
Rank the topics from the most important (1st) to
the least important (6th).





Breakout Groups

Break into 4 groups to discuss the top 4 topics . Each group should:

- (1) identify why this topic is so important,
- (2) what needs to change, and
- (3) the most significant hurdle to effectuating change.



Report Out by Breakout Groups:



Parent entity that's non-education, how to look at financials

Out-of-date composite scores

Independent audits

Raise the bar for participation

Ability to review applications

Harder to get in than to stay in

Review process, not attestation process for initial application

SARA determined initial review process





Report Out by Breakout Groups:

Getting all RSCs to approve proposals; getting everybody on the same page; alignment

Relationship/alignment between accreditation renewal cycle and SARA renewal cycle

Awareness of provisional status

Making provisional policy clear and concise

Consistent application of provisional status

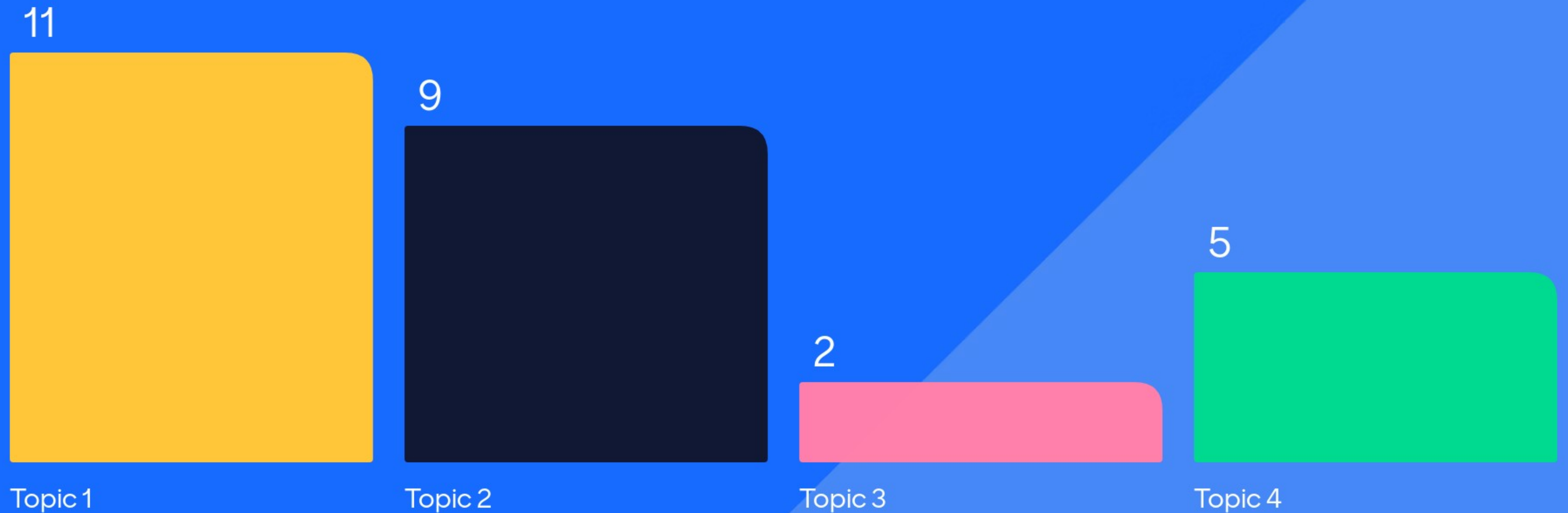
Financial scores: handling financials from parent entities that are not educational providers. Frustration with old FFRCS and can we do independent audits and checks.

Not all states use provisional status





Are you willing to volunteer to work on any of the 4 topics discussed today, if so, which one?



If not, why?

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Thank you

– Sam, Molly, and Julie

