§ 3031. Procedure when tenure not to be granted at conclusion of probationary period or when services to be discontinued. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter: (a) boards of education, trustees of common school districts and boards of cooperative educational services shall review all recommendations not to appoint a person on tenure, and, teachers, administrators and supervisors employed on probation by any school district or by any board of cooperative educational services, as to whom a recommendation is to be made that appointment on tenure not be granted or that their services be discontinued shall, at least thirty days prior to the board meeting at which such recommendation is to be considered, be notified of such intended recommendation and the date of the board meeting at which it is to be considered. Such teacher, administrator and supervisor may, not later than twenty-one days prior to such meeting, request in writing that he be furnished with a written statement giving the reasons for such recommendation and within seven days thereafter such written statement shall be furnished. Such teacher, administrator and supervisor may file a written response to such statement with the district clerk not later than seven days prior to the date of the board meeting.

(b) Where a board of education, trustees of a common school district, or board of cooperative educational services votes to reject the recommendation of a superintendent of schools, district superintendent or district principal to grant tenure to any teacher, administrator and supervisor employed on probation, such vote shall be considered advisory and at least thirty days prior to the board meeting at which such recommendation is to be finally considered, the board shall notify said teacher, administrator and supervisor of its intention to deny tenure and the date of the board meeting at which it will take final action. Such teacher, administrator and supervisor may, not later than twenty-one days prior to such meeting, request in writing that he be furnished with a written statement giving the board's reasons for such intended action and within seven days thereafter such written statement should be furnished. Such teacher, administrator and supervisor may file a written response to such statement with the district clerk not later than seven days prior to the date of the board meeting.

(c) This section shall not be construed as modifying existing law with respect to the rights of probationary teachers or the powers and duties

of boards of education, trustees of common school districts or boards of cooperative educational services, with respect to the discontinuance of services of teachers, administrators and supervisors or appointments on tenure of teachers, administrators and supervisors.