EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Title: **Middle Grades Education and High School Graduation Requirements**

Type of Executive Summary:
☒ Action ☐ Action on First Reading ☐ Discussion ☐ Information

Policy Implications:
☐ Constitution _____
☐ General Statute #_____
☒ SBE Policy #HSP-M-001, HSP-N-004
☒ SBE Policy Amendment
☐ SBE Policy (New)
☐ APA #_____
☐ APA Amendment
☐ APA (New)
☐ Other _____

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Description:
The State Board of Education requested information regarding the practice of students taking high school courses while they are in middle school. This information item presents background information and preliminary statistics that are relevant to this practice.

Resources:
N/A

Input Process:
Informal contacts with colleagues in the Association of State Supervisors of Mathematics, library research, middle and secondary content consultants

Stakeholders:
Students, LEA and school personnel, business community

Timeline For Action:
This item was presented for discussion at the March 2007 meeting, action at the April 2007 meeting, and is returned again for action at the May 2007 meeting.

Recommendations:
State Board members are requested to approve the recommended amendment to HSP-M-001.

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