

SB 513 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Girod

Senate Committee On Education

Action Date: 03/24/21

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Dembrow, Gelser, Gorsek, Robinson, Thomsen

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/10, 3/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Adds a half-credit of civics to statutory list of required credits to graduate high school beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for civics education
- Value to students
- Value to state

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

Current law requires high school students to earn twenty four total credits to graduate, including three credits of mathematics and four credits of English, with the remaining requirements enacted in administrative rule.

Senate Bill 513 A adds a half-credit of civics to the statutory coursework requirements for a student to graduate high school beginning in the 2025-2026 school year.