

**SB 513 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Evans

**House Committee On Education**

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**Action Date:** 05/13/21

**Action:** Do Pass the A-Eng bill.

**Vote:** 10-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Alonso Leon, Hudson, Neron, Owens, Reardon, Ruiz, Smith DB, Sollman, Weber, Wright

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/22, 5/13, 5/13

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**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:**

- Benefits of civics as a stand-alone class
- Need for students to understand their rights
- Content standards

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**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.