## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE

 Topic: Amendments to 704 KAR 3:303, Required Academic Standards (First Reading)

 Date: August 2019

 Action Requested: Review Action/Consent Action/Discussion

 Held In: Full Board Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

 Finance Operations Management

## SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:

To review the proposed amendments to 704 KAR 3:3030, Required academic standards, to meet the requirements of Senate Bill 1 (2017) which calls for the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to implement a process for reviewing and revising all academic standards and aligned assessments beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. Each set of standards now will be contained in separate regulations.

## **APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:**

KRS 156.160, 156.070, 158.645, 158.6451, 158.6453, 160.290, 704 KAR 8:080

# **BACKGROUND:**

#### Existing Policy:

KRS 156.160 requires the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) to establish courses of study for the different grades and kinds of common schools, with the courses of study to comply with the expected goals, outcomes, and assessment strategies developed under KRS 158.645, 158.6451 and 158.6453. KRS 156.070(1) requires the KBE to manage and control the common schools and all programs operated in the schools. KRS 160.290 authorizes local boards of education to provide for courses and other services for students consistent with the administrative regulations of the KBE.

KRS 158.6453 calls for the Kentucky Department of Education to implement a process for reviewing all academic standards and aligned assessments beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. The current vocational studies standards were adopted in 2006 and are incorporated by reference into this administrative regulation.

#### Summary of Issue:

Because new standards now have been developed and are being promulgated in a new administrative regulation, 704 KAR 8:080 (Required academic standards for career studies and financial literacy), this regulation is being amended to strike all former reference to the previous vocational studies standards found within the document incorporated by reference.

#### Budget Impact:

Minimal staff time will be impacted revising the document incorporated by reference in 704 KAR 3:303.

### **GROUPS CONSULTED AND BRIEF SUMMARY OF RESPONSES:**

The regulation will go before the Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) at its July 30 meeting. Comments from this group should be received prior to the August KBE meeting.

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