Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205

The Background:

Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205 identifies courses that have been approved by the State Board for instruction in Tennessee schools. At the May 21, 2021 quarterly meeting, the Board passed on first reading revisions to the learning objectives three statewide dual credit courses: Introduction to Business, Introduction to Plant Science, and Precalculus. Revisions to these courses are on final reading at the July 23, 2021 quarterly meeting.

The statewide dual credit courses for Introduction to Plant Science and Precalculus are already listed on the Approved High School Courses Policy. This item adds Introduction to Business to the list.

The Fiscal Analysis Impact:

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. This item has no financial impact on an LEA.

Policy Justification:

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed to be adopted as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule and/or concerns only the internal management of state government that does not affect private rights or privileges.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends approval of this item on first and final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.