

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE
EHARDT SUBCOMMITTEE
Ehardt

DATE: Tuesday, January 22, 2019
TIME: Upon Adjournment of the Full Committee
PLACE: Room EW41
MEMBERS: Chairman Ehardt, Representatives Boyle, DeMordaunt, Marshall, Raymond, Abernathy
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
GUESTS: None

Chairman Ehardt called the meeting to order at 10:19 a.m.

**DOCKET NO.
08-0203-1803:** **Chairman Ehardt** introduced the meeting as a continuation of the Subcommittee meeting on January 17, 2019.

Rep. Marshall stated the additional language added to the rule regarding the student's ability to analyze, synthesize and evaluate information and communicate that knowledge and understanding is problematic. The State should not mandate a Senior Project. Senior Projects should be left up to the discretion of the school district and managed at the local level. The language has been clouded and will be difficult to follow by stating senior projects may be: multi-year projects; group or individual projects; or approved pre-internship or school to work internship programs; completion of a postsecondary certificate or degree at the time of high school graduation or an approved pre-internship or an internship program may be used to meet this requirement.

MOTION: **Rep. Marshall** made a motion to recommend that the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1803** with the exception of **Section 105, Subsection 04**.

Rep. Raymond opposed the motion stating the language in the rule provides a definition of facts, not requirements. **Rep. DeMordaunt** opposed the motion also stating the rule offers flexibility towards more meaningful and applicable senior projects and therefore, would like to take a whole-state approach.

In response to committee member questions **Tracie Bent**, Chief Planning and Policy Officer, Office of the State Board of Education stated senior project requirements are only referred to in this rule docket. She stated the graduation requirements in administrative code are minimum requirements so school districts have the option to add any additional requirements they would like to the senior project. Some school districts were flexible in the options provided to students regarding the senior projects. Other school districts interpreted the rules very rigidly and were not doing other projects. By adding language into the rule it gets the information out more broadly to all school districts.

**MOTION
WITHDRAWN:** **Rep. Marshall** withdrew his motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1803** with the exception of **Section 105, Subsection 04**.

MOTION: **Rep. Marshall** made a motion to recommend that the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1803** with the exception of **Section 105, Subsection 04**, which the subcommittee recommends the full committee reject.

**ROLL CALL
VOTE:**

Chairman Ehardt requested a roll call vote on **Docket No. 08-0203-1803** with the exception of **Section 105, Subsection 04**, which the subcommittee recommends the full committee reject. **Motion carried by a vote of 4 AYE, 2 NAY. Voting in favor** of the motion: **Reps. Ehardt, Boyle, Marshall, Abernathy. Voting in opposition** to the motion: **Reps. DeMordaunt and Raymond.**

MOTION:

Rep. Boyle made a motion to recommend the full committee approve **Docket No. 08-0203-1803** with the exception of the amendments to and the final codified text in **Section 105.01, Subsections d. ii., iii and iv. Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Representative Ehardt
Chair

Shellie Coates
Secretary