

HCS HB 456 -- STEM DIPLOMA ENDORSEMENT (Neely)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on Student Accountability

This bill creates a STEM diploma endorsement for high school students who demonstrate mastery in the STEM disciplines.

The bill defines a "granting local education provider" as a school district or charter school that chooses to grant a STEM diploma endorsement to a student who demonstrates mastery in the STEM disciplines and adds the STEM definition to Section 170.032, RSMo.

This bill establishes a work group to be composed of 10 members as appointed by the Governor and outlined in the bill. The work group will recommend coursework standards for a STEM endorsement and annually, each granting local education provider shall provide the endorsement requirements to each student and parent or guardian.