## Agenda

First Reading Item: II. C.

## Jobs for Tennessee Graduates (JTG) Course

## The Background:

T.C.A. § 49-1-302(a)(8) authorizes the State Board of Education to "set policies governing all curricula and courses of study in the public schools."

This item presents the addition of Jobs for Tennessee Graduates (JTG) as a general elective course designed to prepare students for postsecondary education and the work force.

Career and Technical Education course standards are customizable for students based on elective focus and chosen career and technical education pathways. The JTG standards are designed to prepare students for postsecondary education, job attainment, and retention, and are divided into three sections:

- Career Investigation, Attainment, and Development
- Leadership and Self-Development
- Personal and Social Skills

These standards were developed by Jobs for Tennessee Graduates, an affiliate of the Jobs for America's Graduates organization, which is a 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor.

## The Recommendation:

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