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TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1043 by Janek (Relating to curriculum requirements for courses in which students receive concurrent high school and college credit.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill provides authorization for school districts to grant high school credit for courses completed at the higher education level, even if those courses do not conform to the essential knowledge and skills. The bill may make it slightly more possible to graduate early in those circumstances in which a district currently refuse to award credit; this effect is anticipated to be relatively small compared to all dual credit circumstances.

The bill would apply beginning with the 2005-06 school year.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board **LBB Staff:** JOB, CT, UP, KC