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Abstract: Provides for the implementation of state content standards for public school students subject to legislative approval.

<u>Present law</u> requires the state Dept. of Education to develop, with the approval of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), statewide content standards for required subjects for public elementary and secondary schools. Requires implementation of the standards by the department as approved by BESE, with recommendations prior to approval and advice from the educational personnel in the public schools and colleges and universities of this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except makes implementation of the standards subject to legislative approval of the standards. Provides that if approved by the legislature, implementation shall begin with the 2017-2018 school year. Provides that the legislature may recommend changes to the standards prior to approval. Prohibits the implementation of standards that have not been approved by the legislature. Requires that prior to implementation, the standards shall be promulgated by BESE in accordance with the Admin. Procedure Act.

(Amends R.S. 17:24.4(E))