Abstract: Requires the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to provide middle and high school counselors with information needed to advise students and parents about early college opportunities.

Present law requires BESE to develop an advisement policy for high school and middle school grades to equip school counselors with information needed to do the following:

(1) Help students identify goals and assist students and parents in developing and revising personalized graduation plans.

(2) Ensure students receive assistance to stay in school, achieve expected levels, and fulfill graduation requirements.

(3) Ensure students know about high-demand and high-wage jobs in the state and their region.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that BESE provide information to assist students and parents in selecting and scheduling advanced courses and early college opportunities as educational options.

(Adds R.S. 17:2926(A)(4))