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SUBJECT: Florida and Massachusetts – Standards and Assessment

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This past decade Massachusetts has set the national bar for student performance as measured by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS). Additionally, in 2006 the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation graded all Massachusetts content standards “A”.

In 2007, Florida initiated Next Generation Standards, evidenced-based standards developed by national and statewide experts including educators and professionals in the field. State Board of Education adopted Next Generation Standards in mathematics, science, social studies, physical education, and health. Florida is currently developing assessments aligned to the new mathematics and science standards. Florida has drafted Next Generation Language Arts standards.

Currently, Massachusetts is in the process of drafting new mathematics, science, and social studies standards. Both states’ standards were cited in the first draft of the National Common Core ***College and Career Ready Standards***. A proposed timeline for Florida’s adoption of National Standards will be presented.

Supporting Documentation Included: Florida and Massachusetts – Standards and Assessment PowerPoint Presentation and Next Generation Sunshine State Standards Timeline

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