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A BILL FOR

1 An Act adding personal finance skills and literacy requirements
2 to the education programs school districts and accredited
3 nonpublic schools must offer.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 256.11, subsections 2, 3, and 4, Code
1 2 Supplement 2007, are amended to read as follows:
1 3 2. The kindergarten program shall include experiences
1 4 designed to develop healthy emotional and social habits and
1 5 growth in the language arts and communication skills, as well
1 6 as a capacity for the completion of individual tasks, and
1 7 protect and increase physical well-being with attention given
1 8 to experiences relating to the development of life skills,
1 9 ~~including but not limited to personal finance skills,~~ and
1 10 human growth and development. A kindergarten teacher shall be
1 11 licensed to teach in kindergarten. An accredited nonpublic
1 12 school must meet the requirements of this subsection only if
1 13 the nonpublic school offers a kindergarten program.
1 14 3. The following areas shall be taught in grades one
1 15 through six: English=language arts, social studies, personal
1 16 finance literacy, mathematics, science, health,
1 17 age-appropriate and research-based human growth and
1 18 development, physical education, traffic safety, music, and
1 19 visual art. The health curriculum shall include the
1 20 characteristics of communicable diseases including acquired
1 21 immune deficiency syndrome. The state board as part of
1 22 accreditation standards shall adopt curriculum definitions for
1 23 implementing the elementary program.
1 24 4. The following shall be taught in grades seven and
1 25 eight: English=language arts; social studies; personal
1 26 finance literacy; mathematics; science; health;
1 27 age-appropriate and research-based human growth and
1 28 development; family, consumer, career, and technology
1 29 education; physical education; music; and visual art. The
1 30 health curriculum shall include age-appropriate and
1 31 research-based information regarding the characteristics of
1 32 sexually transmitted diseases, including HPV and the
1 33 availability of a vaccine to prevent HPV, and acquired immune
1 34 deficiency syndrome. The state board as part of accreditation
1 35 standards shall adopt curriculum definitions for implementing
2 1 the program in grades seven and eight. However, this
2 2 subsection shall not apply to the teaching of family,
2 3 consumer, career, and technology education in nonpublic
2 4 schools. For purposes of this section, "age-appropriate",
2 5 "HPV", and "research-based" mean the same as defined in
2 6 section 279.50.
2 7 Sec. 2. Section 256.11, subsection 5, Code Supplement
2 8 2007, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

2 9 NEW PARAGRAPH. k. One-half unit of personal finance
2 10 literacy.
2 11 Sec. 3. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
2 12 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
2 13 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall
2 14 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid
2 15 received by the school district under section 257.16. This
2 16 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed
2 17 to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of
2 18 section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding
2 19 shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act by
2 20 and enforcement of this Act against all affected school
2 21 districts.

2 22 EXPLANATION

2 23 This bill requires school districts and accredited
2 24 nonpublic schools to offer personal finance skills and
2 25 literacy in their kindergarten through grade 12 education
2 26 programs. The kindergarten program must include personal
2 27 finance skills; the grade 1-8 programs must include personal
2 28 finance literacy; and the grade 9-12 program must provide
2 29 one-half unit of personal finance literacy.

2 30 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
2 31 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of any
2 32 state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school
2 33 district from state school foundation aid received by the
2 34 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification
2 35 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state
3 1 mandate funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2.
3 2 The inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate
3 3 the requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any
3 4 state mandates included in the bill.

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