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LEGISLATIVE BILL 327

Introduced by Slama, 1.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-729, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide a personal finance or
- 3 financial literacy requirement for high school graduation as
- 4 prescribed; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 79-729, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 79-729 The Legislature recognizes the importance of assuring that
4 all persons who graduate from Nebraska high schools possess certain
5 minimum levels of knowledge, skills, and understanding. ~~Each Beginning in~~
6 ~~school year 1987-88, each~~ high school student shall complete a minimum of
7 two hundred high school credit hours prior to graduation. At least eighty
8 percent of ~~the minimum such~~ credit hours shall be core curriculum courses
9 prescribed by the State Board of Education. Beginning in school year
10 2022-23, at least one half-credit hour of the minimum credit hours shall
11 be a personal finance or financial literacy course. The State Board of
12 Education may establish recommended statewide graduation guidelines. This
13 section does not apply to high school students whose individualized
14 education ~~programs~~ ~~plans~~ prescribe a different course of instruction.
15 This section does not prohibit the governing board of any high school
16 from prescribing specific graduation guidelines as long as such
17 guidelines do not conflict with this section. For purposes of this
18 section, high school means grades nine through twelve and credit hour
19 shall be defined by appropriate rules and regulations of the State Board
20 of Education but shall not be less than the amount of credit given for
21 successful completion of a course which meets at least one period per
22 week for at least one semester.

23 Sec. 2. Original section 79-729, Reissue Revised Statutes of
24 Nebraska, is repealed.