WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2023 REGULAR SESSION

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Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 3113

By Delegates Martin, Clark, Ferrell, Phillips,

HARDY, TONEY, ELLINGTON, BARNHART, TULLY,

MAZZOCCHI AND HOWELL

[Passed March 3, 2023; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §18-2-7c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring each high school student to complete a one-half credit course of study in personal finance as a requirement for high school graduation; providing beginning class of students and grade level requirement; requiring implementation guidance by State Board and specifying guidance content.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-2-7c. Program in personal finance.

- (a) The Legislature finds and declares that persons with an understanding of personal finance are better prepared to manage their money and that providing a personal finance program in secondary schools in West Virginia will prepare students to handle their finances.
- (b) To provide students a basic understanding of personal finance, the state board shall develop a program of instruction on personal finance which may be integrated into the curriculum of an appropriate existing course or courses for students in secondary schools.
- (c) Beginning with the class of students entering 9th grade in the 2024-2025 school year and thereafter, each high school student shall complete one-half credit course of study in personal finance during their 11th or 12th grade year as a requirement for high school graduation. The State Board of Education shall develop and issue implementation guidance to local school boards and other education agencies as to curriculum, content matter standards, eligible teacher certification(s), and graduation requirements the course may fulfill before July 1, 2024.
- (d) Every student shall complete a course in personal finance prior to high school graduation.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
Clerk of the House of Delegates
Clerk of the Senate
Originated in the House of Delegates.
In effect ninety days from passage.
Speaker of the House of Delegates
President of the Senate
The within is this the
Day of, 2023.
Governor