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House Bill 3113

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NOTE

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[Introduced January 27, 2023; Referred to the
Committee on Education]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §18-2-7c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
 2 requiring each high school student to complete a one credit course of study in personal
 3 finance as a requirement for high school graduation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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

1 (a) The Legislature finds and declares that persons with an understanding of personal
 2 finance are better prepared to manage their money and that providing a personal finance program
 3 in secondary schools in West Virginia will prepare students to handle their finances.

4 (b) To provide students a basic understanding of personal finance, the state board shall
 5 develop a program of instruction on personal finance which may be integrated into the curriculum
 6 of an appropriate existing course or courses for students in secondary schools.

7 (c) Beginning with the 2023 - 2024 school year, each high school student shall complete a
 8 one credit course of study in personal finance as a requirement for high school graduation in place
 9 of existing economics coursework requirements. This coursework must include an end-of-course
 10 examination. The State Board of Education shall develop the curriculum for this coursework
 11 before July 1, 2023.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require each high school student to complete a one credit course of study in personal finance as a requirement for high school graduation.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.