

1-1 By: Alvarado S.B. No. 1063  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 5, 2021; March 18, 2021, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 13, 2021,  
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
 1-5 April 13, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Hall	X			
1-11 Hughes	X			
1-12 Menéndez	X			
1-13 Paxton			X	
1-14 Perry			X	
1-15 Powell	X			
1-16 Schwertner	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to courses in personal financial literacy & economics for  
 1-22 high school students in public schools.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 28.025, Education Code, is amended by  
 1-25 amending Subsection (b-1) and adding Subsections (b-22) and (b-23)  
 1-26 to read as follows:

1-27 (b-1) The State Board of Education by rule shall require  
 1-28 that the curriculum requirements for the foundation high school  
 1-29 program under Subsection (a) include a requirement that students  
 1-30 successfully complete:

1-31 (1) four credits in English language arts under  
 1-32 Section 28.002(a)(1)(A), including one credit in English I, one  
 1-33 credit in English II, one credit in English III, and one credit in  
 1-34 an advanced English course authorized under Subsection (b-2);

1-35 (2) three credits in mathematics under Section  
 1-36 28.002(a)(1)(B), including one credit in Algebra I, one credit in  
 1-37 geometry, and one credit in any advanced mathematics course  
 1-38 authorized under Subsection (b-2);

1-39 (3) three credits in science under Section  
 1-40 28.002(a)(1)(C), including one credit in biology, one credit in any  
 1-41 advanced science course authorized under Subsection (b-2), and one  
 1-42 credit in integrated physics and chemistry or in an additional  
 1-43 advanced science course authorized under Subsection (b-2);

1-44 (4) three credits in social studies under Section  
 1-45 28.002(a)(1)(D), including one credit in United States history, at  
 1-46 least one-half credit in government and at least one-half credit in  
 1-47 economics or personal financial literacy & economics, and one  
 1-48 credit in world geography or world history;

1-49 (5) except as provided under Subsections (b-12),  
 1-50 (b-13), and (b-14), two credits in the same language in a language  
 1-51 other than English under Section 28.002(a)(2)(A);

1-52 (6) five elective credits;

1-53 (7) one credit in fine arts under Section  
 1-54 28.002(a)(2)(D); and

1-55 (8) except as provided by Subsection (b-11), one  
 1-56 credit in physical education under Section 28.002(a)(2)(C).

1-57 (b-22) In adopting rules under Subsection (b-1), the State  
 1-58 Board of Education shall ensure that a personal financial literacy  
 1-59 & economics course taken to comply with the curriculum requirement  
 1-60 under Subsection (b-1)(4) allocates:

1-61 (1) two-thirds of instruction time to instruction in

2-1 personal financial literacy; and  
2-2 (2) one-third of instruction time to instruction in  
2-3 economics.

2-4 (b-23) The agency shall:  
2-5 (1) develop a list of free, open-source, and publicly  
2-6 available curricula that may be used by a school district to provide  
2-7 a personal financial literacy & economics course that satisfies the  
2-8 curriculum requirement under Subsection (b-1)(4); and

2-9 (2) seek, accept, and spend any federal or private  
2-10 grant funds and gifts that are available for the purpose of  
2-11 providing a personal financial literacy & economics course as part  
2-12 of the foundation high school program.

2-13 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2022-2023  
2-14 school year.

2-15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2-16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-19 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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