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HOUSE BILL ***1694***

AN ACT requiring a civics examination as a high school graduation requirement.

SPONSORS: Rep. M. Moffett, Merr. 9; Rep. Hill, Merr. 3; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill requires all high school students to pass the civics examination for the naturalization test as developed by the United States Citizen and Immigration Services.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 School Boards; Instruction in National and State History and Government; Assessment. Amend RSA 189:11, II to read as follows:

II. As a component of instruction under paragraph I, a locally developed competency assessment of United States government and civics that includes, but is not limited to, the nature, purpose, structure, function, and history of the United States government, the rights and responsibilities of citizens, and noteworthy government and civic leaders, shall be administered to students as part of the ***required*** high school course in history and government of the United States and New Hampshire. [~~Students who attain a passing grade on the competency assessment shall be eligible for a certificate issued by the school district. The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) test may be used to satisfy the requirement of this paragraph.~~] ***To be eligible for a graduation certificate, a student shall attain a locally sanctioned passing grade on the competency assessment, as well as a grade of 85 percent or better on the 100 question civics (history and government) naturalization examination developed by the United States Citizen and Immigration Services.***

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.