

HOUSE BILL No. 2306

By Committee on Education

2-12

1 AN ACT concerning schools; relating to courses for instruction; pertaining
2 to science.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) The state board of education shall provide a course of
6 instruction in science. Such course of instruction shall:

7 (1) Provide information to students of scientific evidence which both
8 supports and counters a scientific theory or hypothesis; and

9 (2) assist students in developing critical thinking skills to evaluate
10 scientific theories or hypotheses.

11 (b) The legislature recognizes that the teaching of certain scientific
12 topics, such as climate science, may be controversial. The legislature
13 encourages the teaching of such scientific controversies to be made in an
14 objective manner in which both the strengths and weaknesses of such
15 scientific theory or hypothesis are covered.

16 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
17 publication in the statute book.