

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to assign the topic of providing an enhanced study on Black history in each high school United States history course to the appropriate study committee.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1           A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council  
2 to assign the topic of providing an enhanced study on Black  
3 history in each high school United States history course to the  
4 appropriate study committee.

5           *Whereas, The State of Indiana currently requires certain*  
6 *topics, including the Holocaust, to be taught in public high*  
7 *schools for students to obtain the Core 40 academic diploma;*

8           *Whereas, Black history is an underappreciated facet of*  
9 *American history, including such important aspects as the*  
10 *impacts of slavery and the Civil Rights Movement and the*  
11 *Black contributions to the arts that define American culture;*

12           *Whereas, A comprehensive education regarding Black*  
13 *Americans contributes to a better ability to empathize with*  
14 *others, leading to an overall more cohesive and tolerant*  
15 *society;*

16           *Whereas, Indiana has a distinct involvement in the political*  
17 *and social history of Black individuals, as Indiana was a major*  
18 *destination during the Underground Railroad in the 1800s as*  
19 *well as the Great Migration in the early 1900s and was notable*

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1 *for its contributions during the Civil Rights Movement; and*  
2 *Whereas, Indiana has a duty to accurately represent its*  
3 *Black citizens and better educate its society on the history of*  
4 *these citizens: Therefore,*  
5 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*  
6 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*  
7 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the legislative  
8 council to assign the topic of providing an enhanced study on  
9 Black history in each high school United States history  
10 course to the appropriate study committee.

