

SENATE FILE NO. SF0095

High school graduation requirements.

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Representative(s) Madden, Patton, Teeters
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to high school graduation requirements;
2 modifying high school graduation requirements imposed by
3 the state board of education; accordingly modifying the
4 success curriculum required for the Hathaway provisional
5 opportunity scholarship program eligibility; and providing
6 for an effective date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iii)(B) and
11 21-16-1307(e)(i)(intro) and by creating a new paragraph
12 (iii) are amended to read:

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14 **21-2-304. Duties of the state board of education.**

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1 (a) The state board of education shall:

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3 (iii) By rule and regulation and in consultation
4 and coordination with local school districts, prescribe
5 uniform student content and performance standards for the
6 common core of knowledge and the common core of skills
7 specified under W.S. 21-9-101(b), and promulgate uniform
8 standards for programs addressing the special needs of
9 student populations specified under W.S. 21-9-101(c) that
10 ensure these student populations are provided the
11 opportunity to learn the common core knowledge and skills
12 as prescribed by the uniform student content and
13 performance standards pursuant to this paragraph. Student
14 content and performance standards prescribed under this
15 paragraph shall include standards for graduation from any
16 high school within any school district of this state and
17 shall describe required performance levels in order to
18 achieve proficiency of the common core of knowledge and
19 common core of skills prescribed under W.S. 21-9-101(b).
20 The ability to prescribe content and performance standards
21 shall not be construed to give the state board of education
22 the authority to prescribe textbooks or curriculum which
23 the state board is hereby forbidden to do. Graduation
24 standards imposed under this paragraph shall require the

1 successful completion of the following components, as
2 evidenced by passing grades or by the successful
3 performance on competency-based equivalency examinations:

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5 (B) Three (3) school years of mathematics, +
6 and effective school year 2015-2016 and each school year
7 thereafter, four (4) years of mathematics subject to the
8 following:

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10 (I) One (1) year of mathematics shall
11 be taken in grade twelve (12), which may include courses
12 incorporating applied mathematics or mathematical methods
13 typically used in science, engineering, business and
14 industry, if approved by the state board;

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16 (II) A course taken under a
17 postsecondary education options program pursuant to W.S.
18 21-20-201 or other college credit bearing course may be
19 substituted for one (1) year of mathematics fulfilling
20 requirements under this subparagraph upon approval of the
21 state board.

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23 **21-16-1307. Success curriculum; test standards.**

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1 (e) The success curriculum required to qualify for
2 provisional opportunity scholarship eligibility under this
3 article for students graduating from high school in the
4 2010-2011 school year and each school year thereafter shall
5 be the curriculum required for high school graduation under
6 W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iii) subject to the following:

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8 (i) Except as provided by paragraph (iii) of
9 this subsection, two (2) of the three (3) years of
10 mathematics required under W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iii)(B) shall
11 consist of at least two (2) years of those courses
12 specified in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of this
13 paragraph:

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15 (iii) Effective school year 2015-2016 and each
16 school year thereafter, three (3) of the four (4) years of
17 mathematics shall consist of three (3) years of those
18 courses specified in subparagraphs (i)(A) through (C) of
19 this subsection.

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21 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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