## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes an elective course on the history and literature of the Bible to be offered in public high schools.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes each public school governing authority to offer an elective high school course in the history and literature of the Bible. If offered:

- (1) No student shall be required to use a particular translation of the Bible.
- (2) The course shall maintain religious neutrality and accommodate diverse views.
- (3) The course shall not show favor or disfavor toward any particular religion or any nonreligious perspective.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education adopt rules for <u>proposed law</u> implementation.

(Adds R.S. 17:282 and 3996(B)(75))