
DIGEST

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HB No. 436

Abstract: Requires instruction on the nation's "Founding Principles" to be integrated into the existing required American history and civics courses in public schools.

Proposed law requires the governing authority of each public school offering American history and civics as prerequisites to graduation to integrate into such courses instruction on the Founding Principles of the U.S.A. Such instruction shall include but need not be limited to providing students with information on the following:

- (1) The Creator-endowed unalienable rights of the people.
- (2) Structure of government, separation of powers with checks and balances.
- (3) Frequent and free elections in a representative government.
- (4) Rule of law.
- (5) Equal justice under the law.
- (6) Private property rights.
- (7) Federalism.
- (8) Due process.
- (9) Individual rights as set forth in the Bill of Rights.
- (10) Individual responsibility.

Proposed law shall be known as the "Founding Principles Act".

(Adds R.S. 17:264 and 3996(B)(30))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill.

1. Adds civics, as an alternative to American history, as a course into which proposed law instruction shall be integrated.