An Act To Require the Education of High School Students in Certain Life Skills

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4722, sub-§2, ¶B, as amended by PL 2019, c. 202, §1, is further amended to read:

B. Social studies and history, including American history, government, civics and financial literacy, personal finance and social-emotional competence--2 years or the equivalent in standards achievement. For the purposes of this paragraph, "social-emotional competence" means a person’s knowledge, skills and motivation required to master social and emotional situations:

SUMMARY

This bill adds instruction in financial literacy and social-emotional competence to the minimum requirements for a high school diploma.