

SENATE BILL No. 747

January 29, 2014, Introduced by Senators HANSEN, BOOHER, JANSEN, COLBECK and MEEKHOF and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to authorize state universities to offer academic credit for concurrent enrollment courses provided by public high schools in this state; and to authorize lower tuition rates for those courses.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "state
2 university concurrent enrollment act".

3 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

4 (a) "Concurrent enrollment course" means a concurrent
5 enrollment course described in part 20B of the revised school code,
6 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1476 to 380.1477.

7 (b) "Eligible public high school" means either of the
8 following:

1 (i) A public high school that is operated by a school district
2 or public school academy in this state, if the board of the school
3 district or board of directors of the public school academy and the
4 board of a state university have agreed that the public high school
5 may provide concurrent enrollment courses for which the state
6 university shall provide college credit.

7 (ii) An intermediate school district, as defined in section 4
8 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.4, that provides 1
9 or more concurrent enrollment courses on behalf of 1 or more public
10 high schools described in subparagraph (i).

11 (c) "Public high school" means a public school, as defined in
12 section 5 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5, that
13 includes grades 9 to 12 or 10 to 12 and that awards high school
14 diplomas.

15 (d) "Public school academy" means that term as defined in
16 section 5 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5.

17 (e) "School district" means that term as defined in section 6
18 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.6.

19 (f) "State university" means a university described in section
20 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the state constitution of 1963.

21 Sec. 3. (1) The board of a state university may authorize the
22 university to participate in a concurrent enrollment program
23 described in this act with an eligible public high school. A state
24 university that participates in a concurrent enrollment program
25 shall develop an agreement with the eligible public high school as
26 described in section 1477(6) of the revised school code, 1976 PA
27 451, MCL 380.1477.

1 (2) A state university that participates in a concurrent
2 enrollment program under this act shall provide each student who
3 successfully completed 1 or more concurrent enrollment courses,
4 while he or she was a pupil at an eligible public high school,
5 college credit for the courses at the state university that
6 correspond to those concurrent enrollment courses.

7 (3) For purposes of implementing subsection (2), a state
8 university that participates in a concurrent enrollment program
9 under this act shall provide the eligible public high school with
10 the assessments for the state university courses that correspond to
11 the concurrent enrollment courses offered by that high school.

12 (4) If a state university participates in a concurrent
13 enrollment program under this act, the board of the state
14 university may establish a reduced tuition rate for any course at
15 the state university for which the university gives college credit
16 for successful completion of a concurrent enrollment course. It is
17 the intent of the legislature that a tuition rate established under
18 this subsection will reflect a pro rata share of the cost the state
19 university incurs to administer and oversee the program; will not
20 exceed the in-state tuition rate for that state university course;
21 and will be reduced by a pro rata share of each of the following:

22 (a) The instructor's salary for teaching that course if the
23 eligible public high school is providing that instructor.

24 (b) The amount of operational costs normally incurred by the
25 state university for having a student on campus.

26 Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless

27 Senate Bill No.745

of

1 the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.