

Legislative Analysis



FREE ENTERPRISE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

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House Bill 4074 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Tommy Brann
Committee: Education
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4074 would amend the Revised School Code to encourage school districts and public school academies (PSAs, or charter schools) to include a program of instruction in free enterprise and entrepreneurship in their social studies curriculum for grades 9 through 12 beginning in the 2021-2022 school year. A district or PSA would not be precluded from including that instruction in other subject areas or grade levels.

A program of instruction described above would have to be project-based and could include instruction in at least all of the following:

- Business vocabulary, including entrepreneurship, free enterprise, business finance, goods and services, and innovation.
- Entrepreneurs from this state and around the world.
- Action activities, including setting short- and long-term goals.
- Business basics, including taxes for businesses and corporations, essential skills for business owners, and product- and service-based business ideas.
- Creating a student project-based business plan.

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

Proposed MCL 380.1166b

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 4074 is a reintroduction of House Bill 4826 of the 2019-20 legislative session. That bill was referred from the House Education committee and reported from the House Ways and Means committee with an H-2 substitute, which is identical to HB 4074 as introduced.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or on local units of government.

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