



2023 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Bill 182

Introduced by: **Senator Castleberry**

1 **An Act to establish a uniform method for calculating high school credit received from**
 2 **completing postsecondary courses.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1. That § 13-28-37 be AMENDED:**

5 **13-28-37.** Any student in grades nine, ten, eleven, or twelve may apply to an
 6 institution of higher education or a technical college as a special student in a course or
 7 courses offered at the institution of higher education or technical college. The institution
 8 of higher education or technical college shall set admission standards and tuition rates.
 9 The student shall obtain the school district's approval of the postsecondary course ~~or~~
 10 ~~courses~~ prior to enrolling. If, ~~however,~~ the student is enrolled in a nonpublic school or a
 11 tribal school, the student ~~shall~~ must obtain approval of the postsecondary course ~~or~~
 12 ~~courses~~ from the nonpublic school or the tribal school prior to enrolling, and if the student
 13 is receiving alternative instruction pursuant to § 13-27-3, the student ~~shall~~ must obtain
 14 approval of the postsecondary course ~~or~~ ~~courses~~ prior to enrolling from the provider of
 15 the alternative instruction. If approved, the student shall receive full credit toward high
 16 school graduation as well as postsecondary credit for each postsecondary course. The
 17 school district shall record each course under this section on the student's transcript and
 18 shall use each course score to calculate academic standing. The Board of Education
 19 Standards shall establish, through rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26, a uniform
 20 method for school districts to calculate the amount of high school credit that a student
 21 receives for completing a postsecondary course.

22 If a failing final course grade is received in a postsecondary course under this
 23 section, the student receiving the failure is no longer eligible to enroll for postsecondary
 24 courses under this section absent a showing of good cause.