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HOUSE BILL DRH10191-NG-78

Short Title: Split Math Courses and Change Math Grad. Reqs. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Willis.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT RULES  
3 MODIFYING HIGH SCHOOL MATHEMATICS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS  
4 AND TO PROVIDE FOR A MATHEMATICS INSTRUCTION PATHWAY TO PROVIDE  
5 MATHEMATICS INSTRUCTION OVER AN EXTENDED PERIOD AND TO REQUIRE  
6 THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT EMERGENCY RULES FOR THE  
7 PURPOSES OF THIS ACT.  
8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
9 **SECTION 1.(a)** The State Board of Education shall adopt a rule to modify the high  
10 school graduation requirements to require completion of NC Math 1 and 2 or equivalent courses  
11 and two additional math courses that align with the student's postsecondary plans and to require  
12 that NC Math 3 and all other existing math courses shall continue to be offered by all high schools  
13 to the extent that there is sufficient student interest.  
14 **SECTION 1.(b)** The State Board of Education shall adopt a rule to require  
15 completion of an end-of-course test for NC Math 2 and not require completion of an  
16 end-of-course test for NC Math 3.  
17 **SECTION 2.(a)** Part 1 of Article 8 of Subchapter IV of Chapter 115C of the General  
18 Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:  
19 "**§ 115C-81.37. Extended courses in mathematics.**  
20 (a) The State Board of Education shall develop a course of study for high school  
21 mathematics courses that spread the content standards of NC Math 1 and NC Math 2 into four  
22 separate courses as follows:  
23 (1) NC Math 1 shall be divided into Extended Math 1 and Extended Math 2. The  
24 end-of-course test for NC Math 1 shall be given at the conclusion of Extended  
25 Math 2.  
26 (2) NC Math 2 shall be divided into Extended Math 3 and Extended Math 4. The  
27 end-of-course test for NC Math 2 shall be given at the conclusion of Extended  
28 Math 4.  
29 (3) Completion of Extended Math 1 and 2 with a passing grade satisfies the NC  
30 Math 1 graduation requirement and Extended Math 2 is an equivalent course  
31 to NC Math 1.  
32 (4) Completion of Extended Math 3 and 4 with a passing grade satisfies the NC  
33 Math 2 graduation requirement and Extended Math 4 is an equivalent course  
34 to NC Math 2.  
35 (5) Completion of Extended Math 1, 2, 3, and 4 shall satisfy all mathematics  
36 graduation requirements established by the State Board of Education.



1       **(b)**    Standards developed pursuant to this section shall not change the existing standards  
2 for NC Math 1 or 2.

3       **(c)**    Students shall be enrolled in high school math courses as follows:

4           **(1)**    Students scoring below proficient on the eighth grade mathematics  
5 end-of-course test shall be enrolled in Extended Math 1 and 2 to satisfy the  
6 NC Math 1 graduation requirement.

7           **(2)**    Students scoring below proficient on the NC Math 1 end-of-course test given  
8 at the end of Extended Math 2 shall be enrolled in Extended Math 3 and 4 to  
9 satisfy their NC Math 2 graduation requirement.

10          **(3)**    Students scoring at or above proficient on the NC Math 1 end-of-course test  
11 given at the end of Extended Math 2 may choose to enroll in Extended Math  
12 3 and 4 or NC Math 2 to satisfy their NC Math 2 graduation requirement."

13       **SECTION 2.(b)** Courses shall be offered pursuant to G.S. 115C-81.37, as enacted  
14 by this act, beginning with the fall semester of the 2025-2026 school year.

15       **SECTION 3.(a)** Students who completed NC Math 1 with a grade of C or lower or  
16 who scored below proficient on the NC Math 1 end-of-course exam prior to the 2025-2026 school  
17 year shall take Extended Math 2 as a condition of meeting their NC Math 1 graduation  
18 requirement.

19       **SECTION 3.(b)** Students who completed NC Math 2 with a grade of C or lower  
20 prior to the 2025-2026 school year shall take Extended Math 4 as a condition of meeting their  
21 NC Math 2 graduation requirement.

22       **SECTION 4.** The State Board of Education may adopt emergency rules in  
23 accordance with G.S. 150B-21.1A to implement the provisions of this act prior to the start of the  
24 2025-2026 school year.

25       **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with  
26 the 2025-2026 school year.