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February 20, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives Olsen, Ainsworth, Bies, Coggs, Hines, Jeskewitz, Kaufert, Kreuser, Owens, Plale and J. Wood, cosponsored by Senators Ellis, Lazich and Roessler. Referred to Committee on Education.

- 1 AN ACT to amend 118.33 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes; relating to: requiring a course
- 2 in personal finance for high school graduation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a school board may not grant a high school diploma to any pupil unless the pupil earns, in grades 9 to 12, at least four credits of English, three credits of social studies, two credits of mathematics, two credits of science, and 1.5 credits of physical education. A credit is given for successful completion of a school term (two semesters) of study in one course.

Beginning with pupils who graduate in May 2008, this bill also requires 0.5 credit in personal finance.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- 3 **Section 1.** 118.33 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 118.33 (1) (a) 1. In the high school grades, at least 4 credits of English including
- 5 writing composition, 3 credits of social studies including state and local government,

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- 2 credits of mathematics, 2 credits of science, 0.5 credit of personal finance, and 1.5
 credits of physical education.
- 3 Section 2. Initial applicability.
- 4 (1) This act first applies to pupils graduating from high school in May 2008.
- 5 (END)