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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to high school graduation
3 requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; providing
4 that an Advanced Placement computer science course is
5 equivalent to certain mathematics-based quantitative
6 courses for purposes of meeting graduation
7 requirements; providing an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
12 1003.4282, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 1003.4282 Requirements for a standard high school
14 diploma.—

15 (1) TWENTY-FOUR CREDITS REQUIRED.—

16 (b) The required credits may be earned through equivalent,
17 applied, or integrated courses or career education courses as
18 defined in s. 1003.01(4), including work-related internships
19 approved by the State Board of Education and identified in the
20 course code directory. However, any must-pass assessment
21 requirements must be met. An equivalent course is one or more
22 courses identified by content-area experts as being a match to
23 the core curricular content of another course, based upon review
24 of the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards for that
25 subject. An Advanced Placement computer science course taken by
26 a student in the student's senior year is equivalent to a

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27 mathematics-based quantitative mathematics or science course,
28 which must be denoted on the student's transcript. An applied
29 course aligns with Next Generation Sunshine State Standards and
30 includes real-world applications of a career and technical
31 education standard used in business or industry. An integrated
32 course includes content from several courses within a content
33 area or across content areas.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.