



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: FAV	.	
01/14/2026	.	
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The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Berman) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

2                   Between lines 13 and 14

3                   insert:

4                   (3) STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA; COURSE AND ASSESSMENT  
5                   REQUIREMENTS.—

6                   (f) *One credit in physical education.*—Physical education  
7                   must include the integration of health. Participation in an  
8                   interscholastic sport at the junior varsity or varsity level for  
9                   two full seasons shall satisfy the one-credit requirement in



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11 physical education. A district school board may not require that  
12 the one credit in physical education be taken during the 9th  
13 grade year. Completion of 2 years of marching band shall satisfy  
14 the one-credit requirement in physical education and ~~or~~ the one-  
15 credit requirement in performing arts. This credit may not be  
16 used to satisfy the personal fitness requirement or the  
17 requirement for adaptive physical education under an individual  
18 education plan (IEP) or 504 plan. Completion of one semester  
19 with a grade of "C" or better in a marching band class, in a  
20 physical activity class that requires participation in marching  
21 band activities as an extracurricular activity, or in a dance  
22 class shall satisfy one-half credit in physical education or  
23 one-half credit in performing arts. This credit may not be used  
24 to satisfy the personal fitness requirement or the requirement  
25 for adaptive physical education under an IEP or 504 plan.  
26 Completion of 2 years in a Reserve Officer Training Corps  
27 (R.O.T.C.) class, a significant component of which is drills,  
28 shall satisfy the one-credit requirement in physical education  
29 and the one-credit requirement in performing arts. This credit  
30 may not be used to satisfy the personal fitness requirement or  
31 the requirement for adaptive physical education under an IEP or  
32 504 plan.

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34 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

35 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

36 Delete lines 11 - 12

37 and insert:

38 Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subsection (3) and paragraph  
39 (b) of subsection (8) of section 1003.4282, Florida Statutes,



40 are amended to read:

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42 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

43 And the title is amended as follows:

44 Between lines 3 and 4

45 insert:

46 that students can substitute marching band experience  
47 for physical education and performing fine arts credit  
48 requirements for a standard high school diploma;  
49 providing