SB 34 -- ELECTIVE SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES ON THE BIBLE

This bill allows a school district or public charter school to offer an elective social studies course relating to the Hebrew Scriptures, the New Testament of the Bible, or both. The course should include the biblical contents, history, literary style and structure of the Hebrew Scriptures or New Testament, and their influences on society. No requirement shall be made by the district or charter school on the text translation students must use. This bill requires that any course offered shall follow applicable laws maintaining religious neutrality, and shall not endorse, favor, promote, or show hostility to any particular religion, nonreligious faith, or religious perspective.