

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2335, Page 23, Section 170.315, Line
2 45, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:
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4 "170.373. 1. The state board of education shall convene a work group to develop and
5 recommend academic performance standards relating to one unit of credit of Black history
6 education and one unit of credit of Black literature education required by the board. The work
7 group shall include, but not be limited to, educators providing instruction in Black history and
8 Black literature in grades nine to twelve, representatives from the department of elementary and
9 secondary education, and nonprofit organizations that focus on the study of Black history and
10 Black literature. The work group shall develop written curriculum frameworks relating to Black
11 history education and Black literature education that are designed to ensure that students attain
12 the knowledge, skills, and competencies necessary to properly educate students.

13 2. The state board of education shall adopt and implement academic performance
14 standards relating to Black history and Black literature for the 2027-28 school year and all
15 subsequent school years.

16 3. (1) For the 2027-28 school year and all subsequent school years, each school district
17 shall require that after the completion of grade nine each student satisfactorily completes one
18 unit of credit of Black history education and one unit of credit of Black literature education
19 before receiving a high school diploma or certificate of graduation.

20 (2) A school district may elect to waive the requirements of subdivision (1) of this
21 subsection for a student who transfers from outside the state to a Missouri high school if the
22 student can furnish documentation deemed acceptable by the school district of the student's
23 successful completion of a substantially similar course of instruction.

24 4. The requirements of section 160.514 shall not apply to this section."; and
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26 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
27 accordingly.

Action Taken _____ Date _____