

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 1621, Page 2, Section 170.011, Lines 22 through 26, by removing all of
2 said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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4 "2. American history courses at the elementary and secondary levels shall include in their";
5 and

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7 Further amend said page and section, Lines 29 through 47, by removing all of said lines and
8 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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10 "3. No pupil shall receive a certificate of graduation from any public or private school other
11 than private trade schools unless he has satisfactorily passed an examination on the provisions and
12 principles of the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Missouri, and in American
13 history [and], American institutions, and American civics. A school district may elect to waive the
14 requirements of this subsection for any student who transfers from outside the state to a Missouri
15 high school if the student can furnish documentation deemed acceptable by the school district of the
16 student's successful completion in any year from the ninth through the twelfth grade of a course of
17 instruction in the institutions, branches, and functions of state government, including local
18 governments, and of the government of the United States, and in the electoral process. A student of
19 a college or university, who, after having completed a course of instruction prescribed in this section
20 and successfully passed an examination on the United States Constitution, and in American history
21 [and] , American institutions, and American civics required hereby, transfers to another college or
22 university, is not required to complete another such course or pass another such examination as a
23 condition precedent to his graduation from the college or university.

24 4. In the 1990-91 school year and each year thereafter, each school district"; and

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26 Further amend said section, by renumbering accordingly; and

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28 Further amend said bill, Page 3, Section 170.345, by removing all of said section from the bill and
29 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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31 "170.345 1. This section shall be known as the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative."

32 2. Any student entering the ninth grade after July 1, 2017, who is attending any public,
33 charter, or private school, except private trade schools, as a condition of high school graduation
34 shall pass an examination on the provisions and principles of American civics.

35 3. The examination shall consist of one hundred questions similar to the one hundred
36 questions used by the USCIS that are administered to applicants for US citizenship.

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1 4. The examination required under this section may be included in any other examination
2 that is administered on the provisions and principles of the Constitution of the United States and of
3 the state of Missouri, and in American history and American institutions, as required in subsection 3
4 of section 170.011.

5 5. School districts may use any online test to comply with the provisions of this section.

6 6. Each school district shall adopt a policy to permit the waiver of the requirements of this
7 section for any student with disability if recommended by the student's IEP committee. For purposes
8 of this subsection, "IEP" means individualized education program."; and
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10 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
11 accordingly.
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