CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SB 191   **2022 Regular Session**   **Hewitt**

June 3, 2022

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 191 by Senator Hewitt, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1.   That the set of House Floor Amendments proposed by Representative Amedee and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 18, 2022, be rejected.

2.   That the following amendment to the Reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, change "**2025-2026**" to "**2026-2027**"

Respectfully submitted,

Senators: Representatives:

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Senator Sharon Hewitt   Representative   Barbara Reich Freiberg

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Senator Cleo Fields   Representative   Lance Harris

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Senator Kirk Talbot   Representative   Mike Huval

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

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Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

TOPS. Provides relative to high school core curriculum requirements. (gov sig)

Report rejects House amendments which would have:

1.   Provided that the requirement for four units of science include options for two units of Computer Science.

Report amends the bill to:

1.   Provide that students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year may elect to earn two units in computer science or two units in the same foreign language.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides for a high school core curriculum that is required for a student to be eligible for a Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) award. Present law requires that for a student to be eligible for an Opportunity, Performance, or Honors Award he earn two units of foreign language that are in the same language.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that students graduating during or after the 2026-2027 school year, may elect to earn two units in computer science or two units in the same foreign language.

Proposed law provides the Computer Science units shall be in computer science principles, coding, or programming and lists certain courses allowed for credit in the required TOPS core.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:5025(intro para) and (5); adds R.S. 17:5025.5)