



2023 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1122

Introduced by: **Representative Nelson**

1 **An Act to authorize the participation of tenth grade students in the dual credit**
 2 **program.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1. That § 13-28-37.1 be AMENDED:**

5 **13-28-37.1.** A state--subsidized high school dual credit program--~~must be~~ is
 6 established for any student in grades eleven or twelve. The in accordance with this section.
 7 A public institution of higher education or technical college offering the a dual program
 8 credit shall set the program admission standards. A participating institution shall regularly
 9 submit course availability, enrollment, and completion data to the Department of
 10 Education.

11 If a student receives a failing grade in any course or withdraws from a course after
 12 the deadline and does not receive credit for the course, the student may no longer
 13 participate in the program. The Board of Regents or Board of Technical Education may
 14 reinstate a student who is prohibited from participating in the dual credit program if the
 15 student demonstrates good cause for failing a course or withdrawing from a course, or if
 16 at the student's expense the student retakes and passes the course that the student
 17 withdrew from or failed.

18 The dual credit program may not be used for remedial courses.

19 The Board of Regents shall set a high school dual credit tuition rate equivalent to
 20 forty-three percent of the undergraduate tuition rate. The student taking the course shall
 21 pay an amount equal to thirty-three and three-tenths percent of the total high school dual
 22 credit tuition rate and a school district may pay any portion of the student's share. The
 23 state shall pay an amount equal to sixty-six and seven-tenths percent of the total high
 24 school dual credit tuition rate. No public institution of higher education or technical college
 25 offering the credit may require any additional fees.

1 The student is responsible for any other costs ~~involved with~~ of attending a
2 postsecondary institution.

3 The dual credit program provided for in this section is open to:

4 (1) Any student in grade eleven or twelve; and

5 (2) Any student in grade ten, provided the student first obtains from the principal of
6 the student's high school a letter verifying the student's academic readiness to
7 participate in the program.

8 For the purposes of this section, the term, undergraduate tuition rate, means the
9 per-credit rate, ~~as set by the Board of Regents, that was~~ and in effect on January first of
10 the previous fiscal year.