

SENATE BILL NO. 475

BY SENATOR OWEN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:17.8, relative to curricula requirements; to provide relative to high school  
3 graduation requirements; to provide for virtual teaching under certain circumstances;  
4 to provide relative to a virtual Health Education course; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:17.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§17.8. Health Education requirement; virtual course**

9 **A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a one-half**  
10 **credit course in Health Education that is required for a high school diploma**  
11 **shall be offered virtually to any student that is required to enroll in a physical**  
12 **education course for at least two consecutive school years.**

13 **B. No policy or administrative rule promulgated by the State Board of**  
14 **Elementary and Secondary Education that is contrary to this Section shall be**  
15 **enforced.**

16 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
17 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
18 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
19 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
20 effective on the day following such approval.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_