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# SENATE BILL NO. 491

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY SENATORS SILVEY AND HOLSMAN.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 170, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to high school graduation requirements.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 170, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new  
2 section, to be known as section 170.018, to read as follows:

170.018. 1. The department of elementary and secondary  
2 education shall, by July 1, 2018, develop a high school graduation  
3 policy that allows a student to fulfill one unit of academic credit with  
4 a district-approved computer science course for any science unit  
5 required for high school graduation.

6 2. The department of elementary and secondary education may  
7 promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule  
8 or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is  
9 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
10 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions  
11 of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and  
12 chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the  
13 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the  
14 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held  
15 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule  
16 proposed or adopted after August 28, 2017, shall be invalid and void.

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