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Legislators: as a member of the Banking community for 43 years, I have seen a noticeable reduction in students who do not have basic finance skills. As school districts continue to reduce curriculum in their districts, they have done our students/communities a disservice by eliminating some of the basic classes. Finance education is a basic requirement for life skills. All students, in fact all individuals, need to know the basic requirements for completing a job application, how to interview for a job, create a personal budget, how to read a bank statement, when and how to apply for credit, and planning for retirement. This bill would greatly enhance what is required to be taught in our local schools and in turn, give our students/individuals a better chance to develop skills for a career by improving their employability skills, and allow them to gain the knowledge of career opportunities. Do all students need this extra help? Probably not; but it is those students that don't have the resources either through their current school or their home life, that we need to assist. Thank you for your time and consideration in passing this critical bill.