

1 **MIDDLE SCHOOLS EXIT REQUIREMENTS**

2 2001 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: David L. Gladwell**

5 **This act modifies provisions related to the State System of Public Education by removing the**
6 **exception that would allow students to advance to high school without meeting required**
7 **competency levels in English, mathematics, science, or social studies.**

8 This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

9 AMENDS:

10 **53A-13-104**, as last amended by Chapter 8, Laws of Utah 1989

11 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

12 Section 1. Section **53A-13-104** is amended to read:

13 **53A-13-104. Local school board remediation programs for secondary students.**

14 (1) Local school boards shall implement programs for students in the secondary schools,
15 grades 7-12, to attain the competency levels and graduation requirements established by the State
16 Board of Education.

17 (2) (a) Local school boards shall establish remediation programs for secondary school
18 students who do not meet competency levels in English, mathematics, science, or social studies.

19 (b) Participation in the programs is mandatory for those students who fail to meet the
20 competency levels based on classroom performance.

21 (3) Students who require remediation under this section may not be advanced to the
22 following class in subject sequences until they meet the required competency level for the subject
23 or complete the required remediation program[~~except that students requiring remediation who~~
24 ~~would otherwise be scheduled to enter their first year of high school shall complete their~~
25 ~~remediation program during that first year].~~

26 (4) (a) Remediation programs provided under this section should not be unnecessarily
27 lengthy or repetitive.

28 **(b)** A student need not repeat an entire class if remediation can reasonably be achieved
29 through other means.

30 **(5)** Local school boards may charge students a fee to participate in the remediation
31 programs.

Legislative Review Note
as of 1-9-01 1:53 PM

A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel