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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 182

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR
THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 122, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 122. Rules and regulations [Effective Aug. 1, 2019]

4 (b) The Department shall prescribe rules and regulations:

5 (3) Governing the issuance of certificates and diplomas for the public schools of the State. Rules and
6 regulations on this subject shall be proposed by the Secretary subject to approval by the State Board of Education and
7 may not require world language credit;

SYNOPSIS

This Act eliminates a barrier that prevents students from graduating from high school by prohibiting the Department of Education from requiring world language credits to receive a State of Delaware Diploma. Many students struggle to pass language classes and while language classes are often necessary for college admission, language classes are not necessary for entry into trades.