

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4269**

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1278f.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           **Sec. 1278f. A pupil may satisfy the credit requirements in**  
2 **21st century skills for a high school diploma under section**  
3 **1278a(1) (a) (iv) by successfully completing any combination of 3**  
4 **credits in the following:**

5           **(a) A language other than English. A pupil may complete 1 or**  
6 **more credits in a language other than English by completing, at any**  
7 **time during grades K to 12, 1 or more credits that are grade-**  
8 **appropriate in a language other than English or coursework or other**  
9 **learning experiences that are substantially equivalent to credits**



1 in a language other than English, based on guidelines developed by  
2 the department. For the purposes of this subdivision, both of the  
3 following apply:

4 (i) American Sign Language is considered to be a language other  
5 than English.

6 (ii) The pupil may satisfy all or part of the requirements for  
7 a credit in a language other than English with online coursework.

8 (b) Visual arts, performing arts, or applied arts, as defined  
9 by the department. A school district or public school academy is  
10 strongly encouraged to offer visual arts and performing arts  
11 courses.

12 (c) Computer science or computer coding, or a combination of  
13 these.

14 (d) A state-approved career and technical education program.

15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
16 after the date it is enacted into law.

