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SENATOR HUKILL: PERSONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOW

PORT ORANGE – Senator Dorothy L. Hukill (R-Port Orange), has filed Senate Bill 212 the Personal Financial Literacy Education Act for the 2014 session. Senator Hukill recognizes that students graduate from high school without the necessary skills to be consumer savvy and are ill-equipped to handle their personal finances. “These skill don’t come naturally and we must prepare our students to take charge of their personal economic well-being,” said Senator Hukill.

While a high school student may currently take a personal financial literacy class as an elective, they are not required to take a course in this subject to graduate. The Senator’s legislation will change the requirements to include personal financial literacy as an additional core requirement. The students’ curriculum will include money management, spending and credit, insurance, taxes and income.

Recently the Florida Financial Literacy Summit released a report that emphasized the need for financial literacy to be taught in our schools and that a semester-long personal finance course should be implemented now.

“Our students should be entering the workforce, going to college or vocational/technical school with the skills to manage their financial resources effectively for a lifetime of financial security,” said Senator Hukill.

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Attached: Bill Language for SB 212, Personal Financial Literacy Education Act

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