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Bill Analysis

SB 137 directs the State Department of Education beginning in the 2023-2024 school year to implement a 4-year pilot program to provide courses and assessments in U.S. history, government, and civics to eleventh grade students in public school districts and public charter schools. The measure directs the Department of Education to contract with a provider to make online courses and assessments available at no cost to the agency or schools in the state. Additionally, the measure directs districts and charter schools to submit assessment scores to the Department of Education, which is directed to post the scores online. The bill also directs the Department of Education to submit a report to the president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives with an evaluation of the pilot program, including data on the number of students who score above and below 70% on the assessment.

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