



H97



The State Board of Education shall modify the State curriculum requirements to include one required credit in arts education to be completed by each student prior to high school graduation at any time in grades 6-12.

H97 Is...

- **Simple**—no fiscal impact
- **Flexible**—one arts education credit anytime in grades 6-12
- **Diverse**—visual, music, dance, theatre, design; in-school, out-of-school, virtual
- **Accessible**—opportunities for all students regardless of where they live
- **Supported**—bi-partisan House vote of 110-8.



93% of Americans believe that the arts are vital to a well-rounded education

(Americans for the Arts 2005)

Why? Because Arts Education...

- Anticipates skills students need for future jobs and careers.
- Levels the playing field between rural and metropolitan districts.
- Nurtures creativity and teaches innovation skills—an expressed need of corporate hiring.
- Makes schools a place where students and teachers want to be.

For more information about H97 and why arts education is important, contact Arts North Carolina



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