

# 2018 New York State YMCA

## Youth And Government

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Committee Assignment: Assembly Liberty 3

Bill #: AL-19

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#### 2 3 <u>An Act To:</u>

4 RESOLUTION – Members of the Assembly urge the Commissioner of Education to 5 amend graduation requirements.

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## The People of the State of New York, represented in the Senate and Assembly do enact as follows:

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9 Purpose: This resolution is intended to amend the Commissioner's regulations to
10 require two ½ year courses in consumer education in order to graduate in New York
11 State.

### 12 Summary of Provisions:

- WHEREAS: It is necessary to have an informed citizenry to contribute to
   the economic growth of New York State.
- WHEREAS: Economic knowledge is a necessary prerequisite for
  individuals to achieve financial security in the future.
- WHEREAS: The curriculum in New York State currently does not teach
  students the basic requirements necessary for financial stability.
- 19 WHEREAS: The Educational Commissioner's Regulations will require
- students to take two ½ year courses in consumer education which will be
   part of the 3 ½ elective credits now required to graduate. Requiring the
   consumer education courses will ensure informed graduates in the future.
   *WHEREAS:* New York State needs to implement this educational change
   to continue to guarantee that the center of business in our nation will
   remain in our state.
- *Resolved* by the Assembly and Senate of the State of New York jointly, that the
   Legislation will require the Commission of Education to increase the requirements
- 28 for graduation to include financial literacy.