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Bill 118

An Act to amend the Education Act with respect to civic education

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Private Member's Bill

1st Reading April 13, 2022

2nd Reading

3rd Reading

Royal Assent



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Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1 The *Education Act* is amended by adding the following section:**Civic education**

8.0.1 (1) The Minister shall use their powers under paragraph 2 of subsection 8 (1) to ensure that a course of study in civic education is taught in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12.

(2) The course of study in civic education must include instruction on the following topics:

1. An overview of Canada's constitution, including the separation of powers and the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.
2. Methods for identifying misinformation and disinformation.

Commencement

2 This Act comes into force on July 1, 2022.

Short title

3 The short title of this Act is the *Education Amendment Act (Civic Education), 2022*.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill amends the *Education Act*. The amendments require the Minister of Education to ensure that a course of study in civic education is taught in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12.