

SENATE BILL NO. 157  
INTRODUCED BY B. BROWN

IN THE SENATE

January 14, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
January 19, 1983	Rereferred to Committee on Education.
February 18, 1983	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
February 19, 1983	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 21, 1983	Second reading, do pass as amended.
February 22, 1983	Correctly engrossed.
February 23, 1983	Third reading, passed. Ayes, 48; Noes, 1. Transmitted to House.

IN THE HOUSE

February 28, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Education and Cultural Resources.
March 14, 1983	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 18, 1983	Second reading, concurred in.
March 19, 1983	Third reading, concurred in.

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March 21, 1983

Returned to Senate. Sent  
to enrolling.

Reported correctly  
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