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SYNOPSIS

Grants reciprocity to teachers with certain out-of-state certificates.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Education Committee on December 14, 2020, with amendments.

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AN ACT granting reciprocity to teachers with certain out-of-state certificates and supplementing chapter 26 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. The State Board of Examiners shall issue an instructional certificate of eligibility to an out-of-state candidate who:

a. (1) holds the equivalent of a valid certificate of eligibility or a valid provisional certificate issued by another state in a subject or grade level also offered in New Jersey; or (2) holds an emergency certificate issued by another state in an appropriate subject or grade level;

b. has passed a subject-matter test to receive [1]**[**his**]** the candidate's[1] out-of-state endorsement or passed the appropriate New Jersey subject-matter test;

c. has passed a performance assessment that is approved by the state in which the certificate was issued, or, if the out-of-state candidate did not take or pass a state-approved performance assessment, the candidate shall [1]be issued an instructional certificate of eligibility but shall[1] pass a New Jersey approved performance assessment [1]prior to the issuance of a standard instructional certificate[1]; [1]**[**and**]**[1]

d. has at least one year of effective teaching experience as documented by a letter from the candidate's former supervisor, principal, or employing school district's human resource officer [1]; and

e. has been in good standing during the candidate's teaching experience under the out-of-state certificate as documented in such manner as determined by the State Board of Education[1].

2. If the out-of-state candidate has not completed an approved educator preparation program the candidate shall enroll in a New Jersey approved educator preparation program and complete any remaining college credits or coursework prior to the issuance of a standard instructional certificate.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
[1]Assembly AED committee amendments adopted December 14, 2020.