

ASSEMBLY, No. 4896

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Directs State Board of Education to establish program for issuance of temporary teaching certificate to certain students in educator preparation programs; permits school districts to hire these students as teachers for 2020-2021 school year.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/5/2020)

1 AN ACT concerning temporary teacher certification for certain
2 students in educator preparation programs.

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

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7 1. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
8 contrary, the State Board of Education shall establish a program
9 permitting the State Board of Examiners to issue a temporary
10 certificate to a student enrolled in the final year of an educator
11 preparation program at a regionally accredited four-year institution
12 of higher education in the State. A board of education may employ
13 a student who has been issued a temporary certificate pursuant to
14 this section in a full-time or part-time teaching position in the
15 schools of the district for the 2020-2021 school year. The teaching
16 position shall be appropriate to the student's intended instructional
17 endorsement on completion of the educator preparation program.

18 b. An educator preparation program shall accept as fulfillment
19 of its clinical practice requirement, the teaching experience
20 obtained by a student hired by a school district pursuant to
21 subsection a. of this section.

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23 2. The State Board of Education shall adopt, pursuant to the
24 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-
25 1 et seq.), any rules and regulations necessary for the
26 implementation of this act.

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28 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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31 STATEMENT

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33 This bill requires the State Board of Education to establish a
34 program under which the State Board of Examiners will issue a
35 temporary certificate to a student enrolled in the final year of an
36 educator preparation program at a regionally accredited four-year
37 institution of higher education in the State. The temporary
38 certificate will permit a board of education to employ the student in
39 a full-time or part-time teaching position for the 2020-2021 school
40 year. The teaching position must be appropriate to the student's
41 intended instructional endorsement on completion of the educator
42 preparation program.

43 Under the bill, an educator preparation program will accept as
44 fulfillment of its clinical practice requirement, teaching experience
45 obtained by a student hired pursuant to this bill.