

By Representative Farkas

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to teacher certification;
3 amending s. 231.173, F.S.; revising
4 requirements for the certification of
5 out-of-state teachers; revising requirements
6 for specialization coverages for out-of-state
7 teachers; providing an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) and
12 paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 231.173, Florida
13 Statutes, are amended to read:

14 231.173 Successful experienced out-of-state teachers
15 and administrators.--

16 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of ss. 231.02,
17 231.15, and 231.17 or any other provision of law or rule to
18 the contrary, a successful, experienced, out-of-state teacher
19 or administrator qualifies for a professional certificate if
20 the applicant:

21 (c) Documents 2 5 years of appropriate successful
22 full-time teaching or administrative experience in another
23 state, ~~including 2 continuous years~~ during the 10-year ~~5-year~~
24 period immediately preceding the date of application for
25 certification.

26 (3) The professional certificate issued in accordance
27 with subsection (1) shall reflect specialization coverages as
28 follows:

29 (a) Teachers.--An applicant shall be eligible for
30 specialization ~~the academic coverage in an area in which the~~
31 ~~teacher is assigned to teach in a public school or nonpublic~~

1 ~~school in this state or~~ in the area or areas of specialization
2 of the applicant's certification by the National Board of
3 Professional Teaching Standards, or in which the applicant
4 demonstrates professional competence according to the
5 provisions of ss. 231.15(1) and 231.17(7).

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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9 HOUSE SUMMARY

10 Revises requirements for certification and area of
11 specialization coverage for out-of-state teachers.

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