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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
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4/8/2008	.	
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1 The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations (Dockery)  
2 recommended the following **amendment**:

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4 **Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

5 Between line(s) 48 and 49,  
6 insert:

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8 (6) TYPES AND TERMS OF CERTIFICATION.--

9 (a) The Department of Education shall issue a professional  
10 certificate for a period not to exceed 5 years to any applicant  
11 who meets all the requirements outlined in subsection (2).

12 (b) The department shall issue a temporary certificate to  
13 any applicant who completes the requirements outlined in  
14 paragraphs (2)(a)-(f) and completes the subject area content  
15 requirements specified in state board rule or demonstrates  
16 mastery of subject area knowledge pursuant to subsection (4) and  
17 holds an accredited degree or a degree approved by the Department



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18 of Education at the level required for the subject area  
19 specialization in state board rule.

20 (c) The department shall issue one nonrenewable 2-year  
21 temporary certificate and one nonrenewable 5-year professional  
22 certificate to a qualified applicant who holds a bachelor's  
23 degree in the area of speech-language impairment to allow for  
24 completion of a master's degree program in speech-language  
25 impairment.

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27 Each temporary certificate is valid for 3 school fiscal years and  
28 is nonrenewable. ~~However, the requirement in paragraph (2)(g)~~  
29 ~~must be met within 1 calendar year of the date of employment~~  
30 ~~under the temporary certificate. Individuals who are employed~~  
31 ~~under contract at the end of the 1 calendar year time period may~~  
32 ~~continue to be employed through the end of the school year in~~  
33 ~~which they have been contracted. A school district shall not~~  
34 ~~employ, or continue the employment of, an individual in a~~  
35 ~~position for which a temporary certificate is required beyond~~  
36 ~~this time period if the individual has not met the requirement of~~  
37 ~~paragraph (2)(g).~~ The State Board of Education shall adopt rules  
38 to allow the department to extend the validity period of a  
39 temporary certificate for 2 years when the requirements for the  
40 professional certificate, ~~not including the requirement in~~  
41 ~~paragraph (2)(g),~~ were not completed due to the serious illness  
42 or injury of the applicant or other extraordinary extenuating  
43 circumstances. The department shall reissue the temporary  
44 certificate for 2 additional years upon approval by the  
45 Commissioner of Education. A written request for reissuance of  
46 the certificate shall be submitted by the district school  
47 superintendent, the governing authority of a university lab



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48 | school, the governing authority of a state-supported school, or  
49 | the governing authority of a private school.

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51 | ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

52 | And the directory clause is amended as follows:

53 |       Delete line(s) 10-11

54 | and insert:

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56 |       Section 1. Subsections (4) and (6) of section 1012.56,  
57 | Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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59 | ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

60 | And the title is amended as follows:

61 |       On line(s) 6, after the semicolon,  
62 | insert:

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64 |       revising requirements relating to the issuance of  
65 |       temporary certificates;