

House File 215

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1 Amend House File 215 as follows:

2 1. Page 48, after line 20 by inserting:  
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4 SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR TEACHER PREPARATION

5 Sec. \_\_\_. Section 256.16, subsection 1, paragraph  
6 a, subparagraph (2), Code 2013, is amended to read as  
7 follows:

8 (2) ~~Administer, prior to a student's completion of~~  
~~the practitioner preparation program and subject to~~  
~~the director's approval, subject assessments designed~~  
~~by a nationally recognized testing service that~~  
~~measure pedagogy and knowledge of at least one subject~~  
~~area; or, a valid and reliable subject-area-specific~~  
~~discipline-specific, performance-based assessment for~~  
~~preservice teacher candidates, centered on student~~  
~~learning. A The student shall not successfully~~  
~~complete the program unless the student achieves scores~~  
~~above the twenty-fifth percentile nationally on the~~  
~~assessments administered pursuant to this subparagraph~~  
~~may select either the subject assessments or the~~  
~~performance-based assessment.~~

22 Sec. \_\_\_. Section 256.16, subsection 1, Code 2013,  
23 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

24 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Work with the board of  
25 educational examiners to develop valid and reliable  
26 pathways to licensure by subject area which a student  
27 enrolled in the program may elect to pursue.

28 Sec. \_\_\_. Section 256.16, Code 2013, is amended by  
29 adding the following new subsection:

30 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. a. A council on pathways  
31 to licensure is established, administratively  
32 attached to the board of educational examiners, to  
33 identify appropriate levels of proficiency in each  
34 licensure pathway developed pursuant to subsection 1,  
35 paragraph "d" and to periodically review the levels of  
36 proficiency in each licensure pathway. The council  
37 shall consist of the director of the department  
38 of education, or the director's designee, and the  
39 remaining members shall be appointed by the executive  
40 director of the board of educational examiners as  
41 follows:

42 (1) Three members who shall represent accredited  
43 private institutions offering practitioner preparation  
44 programs approved pursuant to section 256.7, subsection  
45 3.

46 (2) Three members who shall represent institutions  
47 of higher learning governed by the state board of  
48 regents offering practitioner preparation programs  
49 approved pursuant to section 256.7, subsection 3.

50 b. Members appointed pursuant to paragraph "a",

1 subparagraphs (1) and (2) shall serve staggered  
2 four-year terms. A vacancy shall be filled in the same  
3 manner as the original appointment and shall be for the  
4 remainder of the unexpired term of the vacancy. The  
5 council shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.  
6 The council shall meet regularly as determined by  
7 the council, upon the call of the chairperson, or  
8 upon the call of a majority of the members. Members  
9 shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses  
10 incurred in performance of their duties. The board of  
11 educational examiners shall provide staff assistance  
12 and administrative support to the council.

13       c. The council shall assist the board of  
14 educational examiners and the state board in resolving  
15 issues which are directly related to pathways to  
16 licensure and practitioner preparation programs. The  
17 council shall formulate recommendations on any issue  
18 referred to it by the board of educational examiners or  
19 the state board and shall submit its recommendations  
20 to both boards within any specified time periods. The  
21 council shall submit an annual report with its findings  
22 and recommendations, including any recommendations for  
23 changes in law or policy, to the board of educational  
24 examiners, the state board, the governor, and the  
25 general assembly by January 15.

26       Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. COUNCIL ON PATHWAYS TO LICENSURE —  
27 INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS — INITIAL MEMBERSHIP TERMS.

28       1. Notwithstanding section 256.16, subsection 3,  
29 paragraph "c", the council on pathways to licensure  
30 shall submit an initial report, including its findings  
31 and recommendations for changes in law or policy, by  
32 November 15, 2013, to the state board of education,  
33 the board of educational examiners, the governor, and  
34 general assembly, and shall submit its first annual  
35 report to the state board of education, the board  
36 of educational examiners, the governor, and general  
37 assembly by January 15, 2015.

38       2. Initial appointments to the council on pathways  
39 to licensure made pursuant to section 256.16,  
40 subsection 3, paragraph "a", subparagraphs (1) and (2)  
41 shall be for terms as follows: Two members shall be  
42 appointed for two-year terms, two members shall be  
43 appointed for three-year terms, and two members shall  
44 be appointed for four-year terms.>

45       2. By renumbering as necessary.

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