House File 2280

S-5222

- 1 Amend House File 2280, as amended, passed, and reprinted by
- 2 the House, as follows:
- By striking everything after the enacting clause and
- 4 inserting:
- 5 <Section 1. Section 256.7, subsection 3, Code 2018, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 3. Prescribe standards and procedures for the approval of
- 8 practitioner preparation programs and professional development
- 9 programs offered in this state by practitioner preparation
- 10 institutions located within or outside this state and by
- 11 area education agencies. Procedures provided for approval
- 12 of programs shall include procedures for enforcement of
- 13 the prescribed standards and, except as provided in section
- 14 256.16, subsection 1, paragraph "a", subparagraph (2),
- 15 subparagraph division (b), shall not include a procedure for
- 16 the waiving of any of the standards prescribed. The board may
- 17 establish by rule and collect from practitioner preparation
- 18 institutions located outside this state an amount equivalent
- 19 to the department's necessary travel and actual expenses
- 20 incurred while engaged in the program approval process for the
- 21 institution located outside this state. Amounts collected
- 22 under this subsection shall be deposited in the general fund
- 23 of the state.
- 24 Sec. 2. Section 256.16, subsection 1, paragraph a,
- 25 subparagraph (2), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:
- 26 (2) (a) Administer, prior to a student's completion of the
- 27 practitioner preparation program and subject to the director's
- 28 approval, subject assessments designed by a nationally
- 29 recognized testing service that measure pedagogy and knowledge
- 30 of at least one subject area; or, a valid and reliable
- 31 subject-area-specific, performance-based assessment for
- 32 preservice teacher candidates, centered on student learning.
- 33 A student shall not successfully complete the program unless
- 34 the scores achieved by the student achieves scores on the
- 35 assessments administered under this subparagraph are at or

- 1 above the twenty-fifth percentile nationally on the assessments
- 2 administered pursuant to this subparagraph minimum passing
- 3 scores set by the department. To determine the minimum passing
- 4 scores for purposes of this subparagraph, the department
- 5 shall use the recommended scores which are determined by the
- 6 assessment provider through a validated standard setting
- 7 process.
- 8 (b) The state board shall adopt rules to provide that
- 9 the director shall waive the assessment requirements of
- 10 subparagraph division (a) for one year for a person who has
- 11 completed the course requirements for an approved practitioner
- 12 preparation program but attained an assessment score below the
- 13 minimum scores set by the department for successful completion
- 14 of the program under subparagraph division (a).
- 15 (c) The board of educational examiners shall adopt rules
- 16 under chapter 17A to create an initial one-year license for
- 17 an applicant who obtains a waiver issued by the director in
- 18 accordance with subparagraph division (b) and presents the
- 19 waiver within thirty days of issuance to the board or who
- 20 attended and successfully completed a practitioner preparation
- 21 program outside of this state and has met all other application
- 22 requirements with the exception of the assessment score
- 23 achievement requirements of subparagraph division (a). Such an
- 24 applicant must provide an affidavit from the administrator of
- 25 a school district or an accredited nonpublic school verifying
- 26 that an offer of a teaching contract has been made and the
- 27 school district or accredited nonpublic school has made every
- 28 reasonable and good-faith effort to employ a teacher licensed
- 29 under chapter 272 for the specified subject and is unable to
- 30 employ such a teacher.
- 31 Sec. 3. Section 256.16, subsection 2, Code 2018, is amended
- 32 to read as follows:
- 33 2. A person initially applying for a license shall
- 34 successfully complete a professional education program
- 35 containing the subject matter specified in this section, before

- 1 the initial action by the board of educational examiners takes
- 2 place. However, this subsection shall not apply to a person
- 3 who meets the requirements for an initial one-year license in
- 4 accordance with subsection 1, paragraph "a", subparagraph (2),
- 5 subparagraph division (c).
- 6 Sec. 4. Section 272.2, subsection 14, paragraph b,
- 7 subparagraph (5), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 (5) The applicant fails to meet board standards for
- 9 application for an initial or renewed license. However, this
- 10 subparagraph shall not apply to a person who applies for an
- ll initial one-year license and submits to the board a waiver
- 12 issued by the director of the department in accordance with
- 13 section 256.16.>
- 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting
- 15 <An Act relating to assessment scores set by the department
- 16 of education for successful completion of a practitioner
- 17 preparation program and for initial teacher licensure and
- 18 providing for related matters.>

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