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(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 2104)

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Approved April 28, 1994

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to teacher licensure terms and endorsements.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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SF 2169

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12 terminate practitioners' contracts. A professional
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29 BACKGROUND STATEMENT

30 SUBMITTED BY THE AGENCY

31 Changing the date from June 30 to August 31 would ease the
32 problem of people who teach summer school while at the same
33 time renewing a license. At times the renewal process is not
34 completed and the person is teaching without a valid license,
35 or the individual is issued a one-year conditional license to

1 cover the summer teaching.

2 This change would clarify the fact that practitioners have
3 until August 31 to complete and file renewal credits, which is
4 currently authorized by an administrative rule. The June 30
5 date comes during the middle of many summer sessions, and many
6 of our letters and telephone calls seek clarification on
7 whether or not credits earned after June 30 will still be
8 accepted for renewal purposes.

9 This proposal does not deny anyone any privileges; it
10 really grants a benefit.

11 Section 272.34 requires the board of educational examiners
12 to develop appropriate licenses for teachers in the early
13 elementary grades. Additionally, it requires the board to
14 establish early childhood and early elementary licensing or
15 endorsement standards for teachers and elementary school
16 principals.

17 The board completed these responsibilities over a year ago;
18 the new endorsements were created in terms of the stipulations
19 set out in this Code section.

20 However, the board of education examiners had no authority
21 to develop any licensing standards for "licensed child care
22 providers and administrators" as that is the function of
23 another department.

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LEONARD L. BOSWELL
President of the Senate

HAROLD VAN MAANEN
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 2169, Seventy-fifth General Assembly.

JOHN F. DWYER
Secretary of the Senate

Approved *[Signature]*, 1994

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor