

Senate Bill 913

Sponsored by Senator G GEORGE

SUMMARY

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Directs Teacher Standards and Practices Commission to establish alternative administrative license. Prescribes requirements for license.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to school administrator licenses; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 342.125.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 342.120 to**
5 **342.173.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall establish an al-**
7 **ternative administrative license that shall qualify its holder to serve in any administrative**
8 **assignment for which the holder has completed the requirements established by the rules**
9 **of the commission.**

10 **(2) An alternative administrative license shall be issued on application to a qualified**
11 **person who has completed courses in education law and school finance law and:**

12 **(a) Has at least 15 years of full-time teaching experience in a public school or in a private**
13 **school that meets the standards adopted by the commission by rule or is registered as a**
14 **private school under ORS 345.505 to 345.575; or**

15 **(b) Holds a graduate degree in business administration or public administration.**

16 **(3) An alternative administrative license may be renewed if the applicant:**

17 **(a) Has completed a minimum number of hours of specified course work as required by**
18 **the commission by rule; and**

19 **(b) Has been employed as an administrator for a minimum period of time as required by**
20 **the commission by rule.**

21 **SECTION 3. ORS 342.125 is amended to read:**

22 342.125. (1) Teaching licenses shall be issued and renewed by the Teacher Standards and Prac-
23 tices Commission by the authority of the State of Oregon, subject to ORS 342.120 to 342.430 and the
24 rules of the commission.

25 (2) Subject to subsection (4) of this section, teaching licenses shall be of the following types:

26 (a) Basic teaching license.

27 (b) Standard teaching license.

28 (c) Administrative license.

29 (d) Restricted teaching license.

30 (3) Subject to ORS 342.130 and to subsection (4) of this section and in addition to the teaching
31 licenses described in subsection (2) of this section, licenses shall be of the following types:

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- 1 (a) Initial teaching license.
- 2 (b) Continuing teaching license.
- 3 (c) Initial personnel service license.
- 4 (d) Continuing personnel service license.
- 5 (e) Initial administrative license.
- 6 (f) Continuing administrative license.
- 7 **(g) Alternative administrative license.**

8 (4) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission may establish other types of teaching li-
 9 censes as it considers necessary for operation of the public schools of the state and may prescribe
 10 the qualifications for the licenses. However, no license established under the authority of this sub-
 11 section is required for a regular classroom teaching position in the public schools.

12 (5)(a) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall establish a public charter school
 13 teacher registry. The commission shall require the applicant and the public charter school to jointly
 14 submit an application requesting registration as a public charter school teacher. The application
 15 shall include:

- 16 (A) A description of the specific teaching position the applicant will fill;
- 17 (B) A description of the background of the applicant that is relevant to the teaching position,
 18 including any post-secondary education or other experience; and
- 19 (C) Documentation as required by the commission for the purposes of conducting a criminal re-
 20 cords check as provided in ORS 181.534 and a background check through an interstate clearing-
 21 house of revoked and suspended licenses.

22 (b) Subject to the results of the criminal records check and background check, the commission
 23 shall approve the application for registration. The commission may deny a request for registration
 24 only on the basis of the criminal records check or the background check through an interstate
 25 clearinghouse of revoked and suspended licenses. The registration is valid for three years and may
 26 be renewed upon joint application from the teacher and the public charter school.

27 (c) A registration as a public charter school teacher qualifies its holder to accept the teaching
 28 position described in the application in the public charter school that submitted the application with
 29 the holder of the registration.

30 (6) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall adopt an expedited process for the
 31 issuance of any license established pursuant to this section. The process may require a school dis-
 32 trict superintendent or school district board and the applicant to jointly submit an application re-
 33 questing an emergency license. Within two working days after receiving a completed application the
 34 commission shall issue the emergency license. However, the commission may limit the number of
 35 applications for expedited service from a school district or education service district to not more
 36 than 100 applications in a period of two working days. For purposes of this subsection, the com-
 37 mission may not distinguish between a school district or education service district involved in a
 38 labor dispute and any other school district or education service district.

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