

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

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Yeas: Bonamici, George, Shields, Hass

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Meeting Dates: 4/12, 4/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs preparation of plan to encourage national board certification for teachers. Renames Professional Organizations Certification Fund as National Board Certification Fund and sets purpose of fund to promote national certification of teachers. Creates Educator Preparation Improvement Fund and appropriates moneys to Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC). Directs TSPC and Department of Education (ODE) to create a comprehensive leadership development system for licensed teachers that meets specified criteria. Requires preparation of guidelines for uniform set of core model teaching standards. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Teacher effectiveness and student achievement correlations
- Delivery of professional development
- National Board certification
- Level of support from teachers, administrators, ODE, TSPC and education associations

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the bill.

BACKGROUND: 2010 legislation created the Task Force on Education Career Preparation and Development to develop proposals for a seamless system of professional development that begins with career preparation and continues through employment as an education professional. The task force met eight times and reported its findings to the Legislature in December, 2010. Senate Bill 333-A reflects task force recommendations for teacher preparation and professional development, assistance with application and attainment of advanced certifications, licensure, and coalitions for quality teaching and learning.

Senate Bill 333-A directs preparation of a plan to encourage national board certification for teachers. Renames the Professional Organizations Certification Fund as the National Board Certification Fund and sets the purpose of the fund to promote national certification of teachers. Creates the Educator Preparation Improvement Fund and appropriates moneys to TSPC. The measure also directs TSPC and ODE to create a comprehensive leadership development system for licensed teachers and to prepare guidelines for a uniform set of core model teaching standards.

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