

HB 3166

Relating to teacher licensing

HB 3166 requires the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission to administer a pilot program for the purpose of identifying non-core courses and alternative authorization requirements. The bill requires the Commission to submit a preliminary report on the pilot program to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2018, and a final report no later than September 15, 2020.

The Commission currently has existing staff that will support the pilot, as well as an existing licensure that will suit the purposes of the non-core course teachers. School districts report that they will continue to seek funding, for non-core teacher related expenses, from the Career and Technical Education Grant Program through the Department of Education.

Since costs associated with this bill are already funded through the Teacher Standards and Practice Commission and the Department of Education budgets, the Subcommittee recommends an amendment which removes authorization for cost reimbursements from the Network of Quality Teaching and Learning account.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 3166 be amended by the -A5 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.