Requires the professional educator standards board to adopt standards for and develop, field test, and implement a uniform and externally administered performance assessment for the professional certification of teachers. The assessment shall measure demonstrated teaching skill and shall include objective data and evidence that the teacher has a positive impact on student learning.

Requires the professional educator standards board to conduct a rigorous evaluation of the outcomes of the professional certificate performance assessment in this act, using a methodology that includes comparison groups and objective, data-driven measures of student learning. The purpose of the evaluation is to determine the impact of a professionally certified teacher on student learning, based on the demonstrated knowledge and skills measured by the performance assessment.

Provides that, after the professional educator standards board determines, based on the evidence, that professionally certified teachers have a positive impact on student learning, the legislature intends to provide professionally certified teachers with a compensation bonus.