

2 **SSB 6668** - S AMD - 148  
3 By Senator Finkbeiner

4 NOT ADOPTED 2/14/00

5 On page 7, after line 21, insert the following:

6 "PART 3  
7 **CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION**

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 301.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.410  
9 RCW to read as follows:

10 (1) The purpose of a conditional certificate is to assist local  
11 school districts, approved private schools, and educational service  
12 districts in meeting the state's educational goals by giving them  
13 flexibility in hiring decisions based on shortages or the opportunity  
14 to secure the services of talented individuals.

15 (2) A conditional certificate shall be issued upon application by  
16 the local school district, approved private school, or educational  
17 service district superintendent to persons who meet the age, good moral  
18 character, and personal fitness requirements established by the state  
19 board of education for all certificated staff, if one of the following  
20 conditions is verified:

21 (a) The applicant is highly qualified and experienced in the  
22 subject matter to be taught and has unusual distinction or exceptional  
23 talent; or

24 (b) No person with regular teacher certification in the endorsement  
25 area is available as verified by the district or educational service  
26 district superintendent or approved private school administrator, or  
27 circumstances warrant consideration of issuance of a conditional  
28 certificate.

29 (3) When requesting a conditional certificate for persons who  
30 provide classroom instruction, the educational service district  
31 superintendent or local district superintendent or approved private  
32 school administrator shall verify that the following criteria will be  
33 met:

34 (a) The individual passes the basic skills assessment under section  
35 201(1) of this act when it becomes required;

1 (b) The individual passes the subject knowledge assessment under  
2 section 201(2) of this act when it becomes required;

3 (c) The individual will be delegated primary responsibility for  
4 planning, conducting, and evaluating instructional activities;

5 (d) The individual will be oriented and prepared for the specific  
6 assignment by the employing district or approved private school; and

7 (e) Within the first sixty working days, the individual will  
8 complete sixty clock hours of coursework in pedagogy and  
9 child/adolescent development appropriate to the assigned grade levels  
10 as approved by the employing school district or approved private  
11 school.

12 (4) The certificate is valid for two years or less, as evidenced by  
13 the expiration date that is printed on the certificate, and only for  
14 the activity specified. The certificate may be reissued for two years  
15 and for two-year intervals thereafter upon application by the employing  
16 local school district, approved private school, or educational service  
17 district, and upon completion of sixty clock hours since the issuance  
18 of the most recent certificate."

19 Renumber the remaining part and sections consecutively and correct  
20 any internal references accordingly.

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