
HOUSE BILL 1664

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By Representatives Caldier, McCaslin, and Klippert

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1 AN ACT Relating to waiving the evidence-based assessment of
2 teaching effectiveness for certain preservice candidates; and
3 amending RCW 28A.410.280.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.410.280 and 2010 c 235 s 501 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) (~~Beginning with the 2011-12 school year~~) (a) Except as
8 provided in (b) of this subsection, all professional educator
9 standards board-approved teacher preparation programs must administer
10 to all preservice candidates the evidence-based assessment of
11 teaching effectiveness adopted by the professional educator standards
12 board. The professional educator standards board shall adopt rules
13 that establish a date during the 2012-13 school year after which
14 candidates completing teacher preparation programs must successfully
15 pass this assessment, except as provided in (b) of this subsection.
16 Assessment results from persons completing each preparation program
17 must be reported annually by the professional educator standards
18 board to the governor and the education and fiscal committees of the
19 legislature by December 1st.

20 (b) The professional educator standards board must waive the
21 requirement that preservice candidates successfully pass the

1 evidence-based assessment of teaching effectiveness required under
2 (a) of this subsection: (i) When requested by a school district with
3 a subject endorsement shortage area, as defined by the professional
4 educator standards board; and (ii) for a candidate completing a
5 teacher preparation program in an endorsement shortage area, as
6 defined by the professional educator standards board, that meets the
7 need of the school district.

8 (2) The professional educator standards board and the
9 superintendent of public instruction, as determined by the board, may
10 contract with one or more third parties for:

11 (a) The administration, scoring, and reporting of scores of the
12 assessment under this section;

13 (b) Related clerical and administrative activities; or

14 (c) Any combination of the purposes of this subsection (2).

15 (3) Candidates for residency certification who are required to
16 successfully complete the assessment under this section, and who are
17 charged a fee for the assessment by a third party contracted with
18 under this section, shall pay the fee charged by the contractor
19 directly to the contractor. Such fees shall be reasonably related to
20 the actual costs of the contractor in providing the assessment.

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