FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5449

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Requiring notice of the appeals process to discharged educational employees.

SPONSORS: Senators Sellar, Vognild and Bailey.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

BACKGROUND:

School district boards of directors are responsible for hiring and discharging both classified and certificated employees. Under statute, certificated employees have 10 days to request an administrative hearing after notice of discharge. The certificated employee has 30 days to appeal the final decision of the hearing officer to superior court. Under a separate statute, any person has 30 days to appeal a decision of the school board to superior court.

Under current law, school districts are not required to provide their employees notice of the right to appeal.

SUMMARY:

Any notice of discharge given to a classified or certificated employee must contain notice that the appeals process is available and how information about the process may be obtained.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	46	0	
House	95	0	(House amended)
Senate	46	0	(Senate concurred)

EFFECTIVE: July 28, 1991