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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT modifying the term "one-year certificate of eligibility" to "emergency authorization" relative to persons not possessing an educator credential.

SPONSORS: Rep. Nadeau, Rock. 4

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill modifies the term "one-year certificate of eligibility" for non-credentialed educators to "emergency authorization".

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT modifying the term "one-year certificate of eligibility" to "emergency authorization" relative to persons not possessing an educator credential.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Educator Emergency Authorization. Amend RSA 189:39-b to read as follows:

2 189:39-b ~~[One-Year Certificate of Eligibility]~~ **Educator Emergency Authorization.**

3 I. The local school board, in consultation with the superintendent, may offer a one-time
4 ~~[certificate of eligibility]~~ **emergency authorization**, for a one-year period which may be extended
5 by the local school board for a second consecutive year, to any person interested in employment as an
6 educator on a full-time or part-time basis, without requiring a person to possess an educator
7 credential provided that such person:

8 (a) Possesses at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary institution.

9 (b) Is subject to a criminal history records check pursuant to RSA 189:13-a.

10 (c) Is qualified for the position by relevant experience and education.

11 I-a. The provision of subparagraph I(a) shall not apply to an individual applying to teach a
12 course in a CTE specialty area.

13 II. The school board, with input from the superintendent, shall formulate the terms of the
14 ~~[certificate of eligibility]~~ **emergency authorization** which shall contain no tenure provisions.

15 III. The department of education shall be notified of the issuance of all ~~[certificates of~~
16 ~~eligibility]~~ **emergency authorizations** within 30 days of the date of issuance.

17 III-a. The professional code of ethics and the professional code of conduct shall apply to all
18 individuals possessing ~~[a certificate of eligibility]~~ **an emergency authorization** under this section.

19 IV. Any person who has had an educator credential, educator license, or other educator
20 certification revoked under RSA 189:14-c or RSA 189:14-d, or who has been rendered ineligible to be
21 employed as an educator under another provision of law, shall not be eligible under this section.

22 V. No person shall be offered more than one ~~[certificate of eligibility]~~ **emergency**
23 **authorization** under this section.

24 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.