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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1388

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 20-28-3-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 0.5. Information containing teacher evaluation results that may be identified by teacher name, identification number, or other identifying criteria is confidential and exempt from disclosure requirements under IC 5-14-3-4.

SECTION 2. IC 20-28-3-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.254-2013, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section, "teacher candidate" means an individual recommended for an initial teaching license from a teacher preparation program located in Indiana.

- (a) (b) As used in this section, "teacher preparation program" includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - (1) A teacher education school or department.
 - (2) A transition to teaching program under IC 20-28-4.
 - (3) Any other entity approved by the department to offer a course of study leading to an initial teaching license.
 - (b) (c) The department shall:
 - (1) arrange a statewide system of professional instruction for teacher education;
 - (2) accredit and inspect review teacher preparation programs that



- comply with the rules of the department;
- (3) approve content area licensure programs for particular kinds of teachers in accredited teacher preparation programs; and
- (4) specify the types of licenses for individuals who complete programs of approved courses.
- (c) (d) The department shall work with teacher preparation programs to develop a system of teacher education that ensures individuals who graduate from the complete teacher preparation programs are able to meet the highest professional standards.
- (d) (e) Before July 1, 2015, the department shall establish standards for the continuous improvement of program processes and the performance of individuals who complete teacher preparation programs. The state board shall adopt rules containing the standards not later than two hundred seventy (270) days after the department finishes the standards.
- (e) (f) The standards established under subsection (d) (e) must include benchmarks for performance, including at least the following:
 - (1) test score data for each teacher preparation entity on content area licensure tests and test score data for each teacher preparation entity on pedagogy licensure tests.
 - (2) The maximum number of times each individual who completes a teacher preparation program takes each licensing test before receiving a passing score.
- (f) (g) Each teacher education preparation program shall annually report the program's performance on the standards and benchmarks established under this section to the department. The department shall make the information reported under this subsection available to the public on the department's Internet website. web site. In addition to reporting performance, each teacher education school and department must report the following information attrition, retention, and completion rates of teacher candidates for the previous three (3) calendar years.
 - (1) the attrition, retention, and completion rates of candidates.
- (h) In making information available to the public on the department's Internet web site, the department shall include in the report under subsection (g), in addition to the matrix ratings described in subsection (i), the following information:
 - (2) (1) Average raw scaled or standard scores of individuals teacher candidates who complete teacher preparation programs on basic skills, content area, and pedagogy licensure examinations.
 - (3) (2) The maximum average number of times each individual



teacher candidates who completes complete a teacher preparation program takes take each licensing test before receiving a passing score and the percentage of teacher candidates who receive a passing score on each licensing test on the teacher candidates' first attempts.

- (4) The percentage of individuals who complete teacher preparation programs who obtain:
 - (A) full-time; and
 - (B) part-time;

teaching positions.

- (5) The name of the employer of each individual who completes a teacher preparation program and who obtains a full-time or part-time teaching position.
- (g) (i) Not later than July 30, 2016, the department and the commission for higher education, in conjunction with the state board, the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc., and teacher preparation programs, shall establish a matrix rating system for teacher preparation programs based on the performance of the programs as demonstrated by the data collected under subsection (f) subsections (g) and (h) and information reported to the department under IC 20-28-11.5-9. The matrix rating system may not rank or compare teacher preparation programs. The matrix rating system must be based on data collected for teachers who initially receive their teaching license during the previous three (3) years. for the three (3) most recent years. The department shall make the matrix ratings available to the public on the department's Internet web site.
- (j) Each teacher preparation program shall report to the department, in a manner prescribed by the department, the teacher preparation program's admission practices, in accordance with:
 - (1) the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation standards, for teacher preparation programs accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation; or (2) rigorous academic entry requirements for admission into a teacher preparatory program that are equivalent to the minimum academic requirements determined by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation, for teacher preparation programs that are not accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

The department shall include information reported to the department on the department's Internet web site.

(k) Not later than July 30, 2016, the department and the



commission for higher education, in conjunction with the state board, the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc., and teacher preparation programs, shall establish a minimum rating under the matrix rating system established under subsection (i) that teacher preparation programs must achieve to avoid referral under subsection (l).

- (I) Beginning July 1, 2017, and not later than each July 1 thereafter, the department shall submit a list of teacher preparation programs that do not meet the minimum rating established under subsection (k) to the commission for higher education and the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc. for one (1) of the following actions:
 - (1) In the case of a state educational institution, the commission for higher education shall place the teacher preparation program on an improvement plan with clear performance goals and a designated period in which the performance goals must be achieved.
 - (2) In the case of a proprietary postsecondary educational institution, the commission for higher education shall recommend to the teacher preparation program an improvement plan with clear performance goals and a designated period in which the performance goals should be achieved.
 - (3) In the case of a nonprofit college or university, the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Inc., shall coordinate a peer review process to make recommendations to the peer institution in achieving the department's performance metrics.

SECTION 3. IC 20-28-4-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.6-2012, SECTION 134, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 4. An entity approved by the department may establish a course of study that meets the requirements of this section. A program approved under this section must comply with the following requirements:

- (1) Include the following study requirements:
 - (A) For a program participant who seeks to obtain a license to teach in grades 5 through 12, up to eighteen (18) credit hours of study or the equivalent that:
 - (i) prepares a program participant to meet Indiana standards for teaching in the subject areas corresponding to the area in which the program participant has met the education requirements under section 5 of this chapter, unless the



- program participant demonstrates that the program participant requires fewer credit hours of study to meet Indiana standards for teaching; and
- (ii) provides the program participants with instruction in scientifically based reading instruction.
- (B) For a program participant who seeks to obtain a license to teach in kindergarten through grade 6, twenty-four (24) credit hours of study or the equivalent, which must include at least six (6) credit hours in teaching scientifically based reading instruction, that prepares a program participant to meet Indiana standards for teaching, unless the program participant demonstrates that the program participant requires fewer credit hours of study to meet Indiana standards for teaching.
- (C) For a program participant who seeks a license to teach in prekindergarten through grade 3, twenty-four (24) credit hours of study (or the equivalent) that must include at least six (6) credit hours in teaching scientifically based reading instruction and that prepares a program participant to meet Indiana standards for teaching, unless the program participant demonstrates that the program participant requires fewer credit hours of study to meet Indiana standards for teaching.
- (2) Focus on student mastery of standards established by the state.
- (3) Include suitable field or classroom experiences if the program participant does not have teaching experience.

SECTION 4. IC 20-28-4-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.205-2013, SECTION 249, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5. An individual who wishes to participate in the program must have one (1) of the following qualifications:

- (1) For a program participant who seeks to obtain a license to teach in grades 5 through 12, one (1) of the following:
 - (A) A bachelor's degree or the equivalent with a grade point average of at least three (3.0) on a four (4.0) point scale from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area that the individual intends to teach.
 - (B) A graduate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in the subject area or a related field that the individual intends to teach.
 - (C) Both:
 - (i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution with a grade point average of at least



two and five-tenths (2.5) on a four (4.0) point scale; and

(ii) five (5) years professional experience;

in the subject or a related area that the individual intends to teach.

(D) Both:

- (i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution; and
- (ii) proof that the individual has passed the state approved content area examination in the subject area that the individual intends to teach.
- (2) For a program participant who seeks to obtain a license to teach in kindergarten through grade 6, one (1) of the following:
 - (A) A bachelor's degree or the equivalent with a grade point average of at least three (3.0) on a four (4.0) point scale from an accredited institution of higher education.

(B) Both:

- (i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution with a grade point average of at least two and five-tenths (2.5) on a four (4.0) point scale; and
- (ii) five (5) years professional experience in an education related field, as determined by the department.

(C) Both:

- (i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution; and
- (ii) proof that the individual has passed the state approved content area examination in the subject area that the individual intends to teach.
- (3) For a program participant who seeks to obtain a license to teach in prekindergarten through grade 3, one (1) of the following:
 - (A) A bachelor's degree or the equivalent with a grade point average of at least three (3.0) on a four (4.0) point scale from an accredited institution of higher education.

(B) Both:

- (i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution with a grade point average of at least two and five-tenths (2.5) on a four (4.0) point scale; and
- (ii) five (5) years professional experience in an education related field, as determined by the department.

(C) Both:

(i) a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary



educational institution; and

(ii) proof that the individual has passed the state approved content area examination in the subject area that the individual intends to teach.

SECTION 5. IC 20-28-11.5-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.254-2013, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 9. (a) Before August † November 15 of each year, each charter school (including a virtual charter school) and school corporation shall provide the disaggregated results of staff performance evaluations by teacher identification numbers to the department.

- (b) Before August 1 of each year, each charter school and school corporation shall provide to the department:
 - (1) the name of the teacher preparation program that recommended the initial license for each teacher employed by the school; and
 - (2) the annual retention rate for teachers employed by the school.
- (c) Not before the beginning of the second semester (or the equivalent) of the school year and not later than August 1 of each year, the principal at each school described in subsection (a) shall complete a survey that provides information regarding the principal's assessment of the quality of instruction by each particular teacher preparation program located in Indiana for teachers employed at the school who initially received their teaching license in Indiana in the previous two (2) years. The survey shall be adopted by the state board and prescribed on a form developed not later than July 30, 2016, by the department that is aligned with the matrix system established under IC 20-28-3-1(i). The school shall provide the surveys to the department along with the information provided in subsection (b). The department shall compile the information contained in the surveys, broken down by each teacher preparation program located in Indiana. The department shall include information relevant to a particular teacher preparation program located in Indiana in the department's report under subsection (f).
- (d) During the second semester (or the equivalent) of the school year and not later than August 1 of each year, each teacher employed by a school described in subsection (a) in Indiana who initially received a teacher's license in Indiana in the previous three (3) years shall complete a form after the teacher completes the teacher's initial year teaching at a particular school. The information reported on the form must:



- (1) provide the year in which the teacher was hired by the school;
- (2) include the name of the teacher preparation program that recommended the teacher for an initial license;
- (3) describe subjects taught by the teacher;
- (4) provide the location of different teaching positions held by the teacher since the teacher initially obtained an Indiana teaching license;
- (5) provide a description of any mentoring the teacher has received while teaching in the teacher's current teaching position;
- (6) describe the teacher's current licensure status; and
- (7) include an assessment by the teacher of the quality of instruction of the teacher preparation program in which the teacher participated.

The form shall be prescribed by the department. The forms shall be submitted to the department with the information provided in subsection (b). Upon receipt of the information provided in this subsection, the department shall compile the information contained in the forms and include an aggregated summary of the report on the department's Internet web site.

- (b) (e) Before September 1 December 15 of each year, the department shall report the results of staff performance evaluations in the aggregate to the state board, and to the public via the department's Internet web site for:
 - (1) the aggregate of certificated employees of each school and school corporation; and
 - (2) the aggregate of graduates of each teacher preparation program in Indiana;
 - (3) for each school described in subsection (a), the annual rate of retention for certificated employees for each school within the charter school or school corporation; and
 - (4) the aggregate results of staff performance evaluations for each category described in section 4(c)(4) of this chapter. In addition to the aggregate results, the results must be broken down:
 - (A) by the content area of the initial teacher license received by teachers upon completion of a particular teacher preparation program; or
 - (B) as otherwise requested by a teacher preparation program, as approved by the state board.
 - (f) Beginning November 1, 2016, and before September 1 of each



year thereafter, the department shall report to each teacher preparation program in Indiana for teachers with three (3) or fewer years of teaching experience:

- (1) information from the surveys relevant to that particular teacher education program provided to the department under subsection (c);
- (2) information from the forms relevant to that particular teacher preparation program compiled by the department under subsection (d); and
- (3) the results from the most recent school year for which data are available of staff performance evaluations for each category described in section 4(c)(4) of this chapter with three (3) or fewer years of teaching experience for that particular teacher preparation program. The report to the teacher preparation program under this subdivision shall be in the aggregate form and shall be broken down by the teacher preparation program that recommended an initial teaching license for the teacher.

SECTION 6. An emergency is declared for this act.



Speaker of the House of Representatives	
President of the Senate	
President Pro Tempore	
Governor of the State of Indiana	
Date:	Time:

