

1 SENATE BILL 126

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL; ADJUSTING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
12 TEACHERS TO QUALIFY FOR LEVEL THREE-B LICENSURE.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. Section 22-10A-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,
16 Chapter 153, Section 42, as amended) is amended to read:

17 "22-10A-11. LEVEL THREE LICENSURE--TRACKS FOR TEACHERS,
18 COUNSELORS AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS.--

19 A. A level three-A license is a nine-year license
20 granted to a teacher who meets the qualifications for that
21 level and who annually demonstrates instructional leader
22 competencies. If a level three-A teacher does not demonstrate
23 essential competency in a given school year, the school
24 district shall provide the teacher with additional professional
25 development and peer intervention during the following school

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1 year. If by the end of that school year the teacher fails to
2 demonstrate essential competency, a school district may choose
3 not to contract with the teacher to teach in the classroom.

4 B. The department shall grant a level three-A
5 license to an applicant who has been a level two teacher for at
6 least three years and holds a post-baccalaureate degree or
7 national board for professional teaching standards
8 certification; demonstrates instructional leader competence as
9 required by the department and verified by the local
10 superintendent through the highly objective uniform statewide
11 standard of evaluation; and meets other qualifications for the
12 license.

13 C. ~~[With the adoption by the department of a highly~~
14 ~~objective uniform statewide standard of evaluation for level~~
15 ~~three-A teachers]~~ The minimum salary for a level three-A
16 teacher for a standard nine and one-half month contract shall
17 be as follows:

18 (1) for the 2003-2004 school year, thirty
19 thousand dollars (\$30,000);

20 (2) for the 2004-2005 school year,
21 thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000);

22 (3) for the 2005-2006 school year, forty
23 thousand dollars (\$40,000);

24 (4) for the 2006-2007 school year,
25 forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000); and

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1 (5) for the 2007-2008 school year, fifty
2 thousand dollars (\$50,000).

3 D. A level three-B license is a nine-year license
4 granted to ~~[a school administrator]~~ an applicant who meets the
5 qualifications for that level. Licenses may be renewed upon
6 satisfactory annual demonstration of instructional leader and
7 administrative competency.

8 E. The department shall grant a level three-B
9 license to an applicant who:

10 ~~[(1) holds a level two license and meets the~~
11 ~~requirements for a level three-A license or who holds a current~~
12 ~~level two teacher's license and, for at least four years, has~~
13 ~~held the highest-ranked counselor license as provided in~~
14 ~~Chapter 22, Article 10A NMSA 1978 and rules promulgated by the~~
15 ~~department;~~

16 ~~(2) holds a post-baccalaureate degree or~~
17 ~~national board for professional teaching standards~~
18 ~~certification;~~

19 ~~(3) has satisfactorily completed department-~~
20 ~~approved courses in administration and a department-approved~~
21 ~~administration apprenticeship program; and~~

22 ~~(4) demonstrates instructional leader~~
23 ~~competence required by the department and verified by the local~~
24 ~~superintendent through the highly objective uniform statewide~~
25 ~~standard of evaluation]~~

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1 (1) holds a level two teaching license; holds
2 a post-baccalaureate degree; has completed a department-
3 approved school administrator preparation program; and
4 demonstrates instructional leader competence required by the
5 department and verified by the local superintendent through the
6 highly objective uniform statewide standard of evaluation;

7 (2) holds a level three-A teaching license;
8 holds a post-baccalaureate degree; has completed a department-
9 approved school administrator preparation program; and
10 demonstrates instructional leader competence required by the
11 department and verified by the local superintendent through the
12 highly objective uniform statewide standard of evaluation; or

13 (3) holds a level two teaching license and for
14 four years has held the highest-ranked counselor license as
15 provided in the School Personnel Act and rules promulgated by
16 the department.

17 F. [~~Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year~~] The
18 minimum annual salary for a level three-B school principal or
19 assistant school principal shall be fifty thousand dollars
20 (\$50,000) multiplied by the applicable responsibility factor.

21 G. By the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year,
22 the department shall adopt a highly objective uniform statewide
23 standard of evaluation, which includes data sources linked to
24 student achievement and educational plan for student success
25 progress, for level three-B school principals and assistant

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1 school principals and rules for the implementation of that
2 evaluation system linked to the level of responsibility at each
3 school level."

4 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
5 provisions of this act is July 1, 2015.