

**Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 8, 2013**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1296
(Representatives K. Koppelman, Hatlestad, Karls, Nathe, Rohr, Sanford, Wall, Hunskor)
(Senators Andrist, Schaible, Nelson)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 15.1-13-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to teachers licensed in other states.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 15.1-13-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15.1-13-20. Applicants licensed in other states.

1. The board shall grant a teaching license to an applicant who holds a regular teaching license or certificate from another state, provided:
 - a. The applicant's licensure or certification is based upon a minimum of a bachelor's degree with a major that meets the issuing state's requirements in early childhood education, elementary education, middle level education, or a content area taught at a public high school;
 - b. The applicant's licensure or certification is based upon the completion of a professional education sequence from a state-approved teacher education program and includes supervised student teaching;
 - c. The applicant submits the required fee and a criminal history record check, as required of initial applicants by this chapter; and
 - d. The criminal history record check reveals nothing for which a North Dakota applicant would be denied initial licensure.
2.
 - a. A license granted under this section is valid for two years if the applicant has not been licensed in another state for at least eighteen months.
 - b. Notwithstanding subdivision a, if the individual received a teaching license or certificate from another state on or after January 1, 2002, and if the issuing state did not require that the individual pass a state test as a condition of licensure or certification, the board shall require that the individual, within two years from the date of licensure, pass all state licensure tests normally required of applicants from this state.
 - c. In all other cases, a license granted under this section is valid for five years and is renewable if the licenseholder meets the reeducation requirements established for all five-year license renewals.
3. A license granted under this section must include all of the applicant's endorsements issued or recognized by the applicant's other state of licensure.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1296.

House Vote: Yeas 89 Nays 0 Absent 5

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 1 Absent 1

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2013.

Governor

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Secretary of State