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CRIMES BY EDUCATORS

House Bill 4533

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4533 AS INTRODUCED 3-7-95

Public Act 61 of 1987 required prosecutors to notify the state board of education whenever a teacher is convicted of a sex-related offense or child abuse. The state board must then suspend the teacher's teaching certificate, unless the teacher requests a hearing. After a hearing, the board may suspend a certificate (or state board approval, for some other school employees) based on the evidence presented. Public Act 35 of 1990 extended the same provisions to holders of administrator's certificates. The list of relevant offenses has since been expanded by Public Act 99 of 1992 and Public Act 144 of 1994 to include certain drug-related offenses and assaultive crimes, such as murder, attempted murder, assault with intent to commit murder, armed robbery, assault with intent to commit armed robbery, and aggravated assault. Under House Bill 4533, the notification/hearing/possible suspension process would be triggered whenever a teacher or administrator was convicted of any felony. (The specific list of felonies would be deleted.) The bill would also cite as triggering offenses criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree (or an attempt), child abuse in the third or fourth degree (or an attempt), and certain misdemeanor child abuse and drug offenses.

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