

HOUSE BILL No. 5768

February 28, 2002, Introduced by Reps. LaSata, Stewart, Richardville, Ruth Johnson, Pappageorge, Vander Veen, Hager, DeRossett, Tabor, Mortimer, Hummel, Meyer, Julian, Gilbert, Voorhees, Birkholz and Scranton and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1531d.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1531D. (1) SCHOOL DISTRICTS LOCATED IN URBAN AREAS ARE
2 ENCOURAGED TO WORK WITH APPROVED TEACHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS,
3 THE STATE BOARD, AND THE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT
4 LOCAL PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR NONCER-
5 TIFICATED PERSONS TO OBTAIN A TEMPORARY TEACHING CREDENTIAL AND
6 TO WORK TOWARD ACHIEVING A PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION TEACHING
7 CERTIFICATE. THESE LOCAL PROGRAMS SHOULD INCLUDE AT LEAST THE
8 FOLLOWING FEATURES:

9 (A) THE PROGRAM INCLUDES PARTICIPANTS WHO HOLD A BACHELOR'S
10 DEGREE AND ARE ENROLLED IN A TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM OR A
11 MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM OR, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT,

1 WHO DO NOT HOLD A BACHELOR'S DEGREE BUT ARE ENROLLED IN A TEACHER
2 CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.

3 (B) PARTICIPANTS ARE ALLOWED TO TEACH IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
4 UNDER THE TEMPORARY TEACHING CREDENTIAL WHILE COMPLETING THEIR
5 DEGREE OR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.

6 (C) PARTICIPANTS MUST TEACH IN CRITICAL SHORTAGE AREAS,
7 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EARLY CHILDHOOD, EARLY ELEMENTARY,
8 SPECIAL EDUCATION, BILINGUAL EDUCATION, AND SECONDARY MATHEMATICS
9 AND SCIENCE.

10 (D) PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN STUDENT
11 TEACHING BEFORE OBTAINING THE TEMPORARY TEACHING CREDENTIAL.

12 (E) THE TEMPORARY TEACHING CREDENTIAL IS VALID FOR 1 YEAR
13 AND RENEWABLE FOR UP TO 4 ADDITIONAL YEARS.

14 (F) PARTICIPANTS ARE SUPERVISED BY MENTORS WHO ARE
15 EXPERIENCED CERTIFICATED TEACHERS WHO TEACH IN THE SAME SCHOOL.

16 (G) WHILE TEACHING UNDER THE TEMPORARY TEACHING CREDENTIAL,
17 PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE TEACHER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
18 AGREEMENT IN EFFECT IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND RECEIVE WAGES AND
19 BENEFITS ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THAT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
20 AGREEMENT.

21 (H) PRIORITY IN SELECTING PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO
22 RECENTLY UNEMPLOYED WORKERS WHO HAVE OBTAINED A BACHELOR'S OR
23 MASTER'S DEGREE.

24 (2) THE STATE BOARD AND DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK WITH INTER-
25 ESTED SCHOOL DISTRICTS LOCATED IN URBAN AREAS TO DEVELOP AND
26 IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.