

# HOUSE BILL No. 5963

April 25, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Elsenheimer, Taub, Hildenbrand, Vander Veen, Palmer, Emmons, Stahl, Booher, Walker, Garfield, Gosselin, Robertson, Baxter, Pastor, Newell and Schuitmaker and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
by amending section 1233b (MCL 380.1233b), as amended by 1995 PA 289.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 1233b. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3), the  
2 board of a local or intermediate school district **OR GOVERNING BOARD**  
3 **OF A NONPUBLIC SCHOOL** may engage a full-time or part-time  
4 noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher to teach ~~a course in computer~~  
5 ~~science, a foreign language, mathematics, biology, chemistry,~~  
6 ~~engineering, physics, robotics, or in another subject area~~  
7 ~~determined by the state board to be appropriate to be included~~  
8 ~~under this section and so designated by the state board, or any~~  
9 ~~combination of these subject areas,~~ in grades 9 through 12 **IF HE**

1 OR SHE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2).

2 (2) Subject to subsection (3), a noncertificated, nonendorsed  
3 teacher is qualified to teach pursuant to this section if he or she  
4 meets ~~all~~ 1 OR BOTH of the following minimum requirements:

5 (A) POSSESSES AN EARNED MASTER'S OR DOCTORATE DEGREE FROM AN  
6 ACCREDITED POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION IN A FIELD OF STUDY RELATED TO  
7 THE SUBJECT THAT HE OR SHE IS ASSIGNED TO TEACH.

8 (B) ~~-(a)-~~ Possesses an earned bachelor's degree from an  
9 accredited postsecondary institution. AND MEETS BOTH OF THE  
10 FOLLOWING:

11 (i) ~~-(b)-~~ Has a major or a ~~graduate~~ degree in the field of  
12 ~~specialization~~ STUDY in which he or she will teach.

13 (ii) IS ANNUALLY AND CONTINUALLY ENROLLED AND COMPLETING CREDIT  
14 IN AN APPROVED TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM LEADING TO A TEACHING  
15 CERTIFICATE.

16 ~~----- (c) If the teacher desires to teach for more than 1 year, has~~  
17 ~~passed both a basic skills examination and a subject area~~  
18 ~~examination, if a subject area examination exists, in the field of~~  
19 ~~specialization in which he or she will teach.~~

20 ~~----- (d) Except in the case of persons engaged to teach a foreign~~  
21 ~~language, has, in the 5 year period immediately preceding the date~~  
22 ~~of hire, not less than 2 years of occupational experience in the~~  
23 ~~field of specialization in which he or she will teach.~~

24 (3) The requirements listed in subsection (2) for a teacher  
25 engaged to teach pursuant to this section shall be in addition to  
26 any other requirements established by the board of a local or  
27 intermediate school district OR GOVERNING BOARD OF A NONPUBLIC

1 SCHOOL, as applicable.

2 ~~—— (4) Except as provided in subsection (5), the board of a~~  
3 ~~local or intermediate school district shall not engage a full-time~~  
4 ~~or part-time noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher to teach a course~~  
5 ~~described in subsection (1) if the district is able to engage a~~  
6 ~~certificated, endorsed teacher.~~

7 ~~—— (5) If the board of a local or intermediate school district is~~  
8 ~~able to engage a certificated, endorsed teacher to teach a course~~  
9 ~~described in subsection (1), the local or intermediate school board~~  
10 ~~may employ or continue to employ a noncertificated, nonendorsed~~  
11 ~~teacher to teach the course if both of the following conditions are~~  
12 ~~met:~~

13 ~~—— (a) The noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher is annually and~~  
14 ~~continually enrolled and completing credit in an approved teacher~~  
15 ~~preparation program leading to a provisional teaching certificate.~~

16 ~~—— (b) The noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher has a planned~~  
17 ~~program leading to teacher certification on file with the employing~~  
18 ~~school district or intermediate school district, his or her teacher~~  
19 ~~preparation institution, and the department of education.~~

20 (4) ~~—(6)—~~ If the noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher  
21 completes 3 years of successful classroom teaching, as determined  
22 by regular observation and review by school district and teacher  
23 preparation institution personnel, the department ~~of education~~  
24 and a teacher preparation institution shall utilize the teaching  
25 experience of a noncertificated, nonendorsed teacher for the  
26 purpose of waiving student teaching as a condition for receiving a  
27 ~~continued employment authorization in the school district and a~~

1 ~~provisional~~ teaching certificate.