

SENATE FILE NO. SF0086

Alternative teaching certificate.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Laursen, D, Brennan, McKeown and
Smith, D and Representative(s) Banks,
Haroldson, Heiner, Strock, Webber and Wharff

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the certification of teachers; modifying
2 the duties of the professional teaching standards board;
3 creating an alternative teacher certificate for K-12
4 teachers; establishing requirements for alternative
5 certification; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-2-802(a)(ii) by creating a new
10 subparagraph (D) is amended to read:

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12 **21-2-802. Powers and duties; teacher certification;**
13 **suspension and revocation; certification fees; disposition**
14 **of collected fees; required data submissions to department**
15 **of education.**

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2 (a) The board shall promulgate rules and regulations:

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4 (ii) In addition to paragraph (a)(i) of this
5 section, the board shall by rule and regulation provide
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8 (D) Alternative certification of teachers
9 that requires a baccalaureate degree from an accredited
10 college or university and successful completion of an
11 accredited or non-accredited alternative certification
12 program approved by the board that at a minimum requires
13 passage of a subject area examination, pedagogy
14 examination, United States Constitution examination and
15 Wyoming Constitution examination. Issuance of this
16 alternative certification shall be limited to the subject
17 areas and grade levels successfully completed by the
18 applicant. After successful completion of an alternative
19 certification program the applicant may apply for
20 employment with a school district without a prior request
21 by the superintendent.

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
4 Constitution.

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