

1991 Senate Bill 221

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# 1991 WISCONSIN ACT 108

AN ACT *to amend* 115.28 (7) (title) and (a) and 118.19 (3) (a); and *to create* 118.192 of the statutes, **relating to:**  
an alternative procedure for the licensure of mathematics and science teachers.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** 115.28 (7) (title) and (a) of the statutes are amended to read:

115.28 (7) (title) LICENSING OF TEACHERS. (a) License ~~or certify~~ all teachers for the public schools of the state, make rules establishing standards of attainment and procedures for the examination, and ~~licensing and certification~~ of teachers within the limits prescribed in ss. 118.19 (2) and (3), 118.192 and 118.195, prescribe by rule standards and procedures for the approval of teacher preparatory programs leading to ~~certification or~~ licensure, file in his or her office all papers relating to state teachers' licenses ~~and certificates~~ and register each such license ~~or certificate~~.

**SECTION 2.** 118.19 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

118.19 (3) (a) No ~~certificate or~~ license to teach in any public school may be issued unless the applicant possesses a bachelor's degree including such professional training as the department by rule requires, except as permitted under s. ~~115.28 (17) (a) and par. (b) and ss. 115.28 (17) (a) and 118.192~~. Notwithstanding s. 36.11 (16), beginning August 31, 1990, no teacher preparatory program in this state may be approved by the state superintendent under s. 115.28 (7) (a), unless each student in the program is required to complete student teaching consisting of full days for a full semester following the daily schedule and semester calendar of the cooperating school. Beginning August 31, 1990, no ~~certificate or~~ license to teach in any public school may be granted to an

applicant who completed a professional training program outside this state unless the applicant completed student teaching consisting of full days for a full semester following the daily schedule and semester calendar of the cooperating school or the equivalent, as determined by the state superintendent. The state superintendent may grant exceptions to the student teaching requirements under this paragraph when the midyear calendars of the institution offering the teacher preparatory program and the cooperating school differ from each other and would prevent students from attending classes at the institution in accordance with the institution's calendar. The state superintendent shall promulgate rules to implement this subsection.

**SECTION 3.** 118.192 of the statutes is created to read:

**118.192 Professional teaching permits; mathematics and science.** (1) The state superintendent shall establish an alternative teacher training program for mathematics and science teachers. The program shall be conducted during the summer and shall consist of approximately 100 hours of formal instruction.

(2) An individual who holds a bachelor's degree in engineering, mathematics, biology, chemistry or physics, has at least 5 years of experience as an engineer, mathematician or science professional and passes the appropriate subject area portion of the national teacher's examination administered by the educational testing service, inc., in mathematics or science may apply to the state superintendent for enrollment in the alternative teacher training program. The state superintendent shall charge a fee sufficient to cover the costs of the program.

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(3) The state superintendent shall grant a professional teaching permit to any person who satisfactorily completes the program under sub. (2). The permit authorizes the person to teach mathematics or science, as specified by the state superintendent, in grades kindergarten to 12 for 2 years, if the person is supervised by a person who holds a regular teaching license. The permit is renewable.

(4) A school board that employs a person who holds a professional teaching permit shall do all of the following:

(a) Allow a licensed teacher to supervise no more than one person holding a permit.

(b) Ensure that no licensed teacher is removed from his or her position as a result of the employment of persons holding permits.

(5) The state superintendent shall evaluate the program under this section. By January 15, 1995, the state superintendent shall submit a report to the governor and to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2). The report shall include the state superintendent's evaluation of and recommendations for the program.

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