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Present law (R.S. 17:7) provides relative to the duties, functions, and responsibilities of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) which includes prescribing the qualifications of teachers and providing for the certification of teachers.

Proposed law retains present law. Proposed law removes outdated provisions, corrects terminology, and clarifies present law.

Present law (R.S. 17:7.1) provides certain qualifications and requirements that BESE shall require of an applicant seeking teaching certification.

Proposed law retains present law. Proposed law corrects terminology and removes conflicting provisions from present law.

Present law (R.S. 17:7.2) provides, relative to approved teacher education programs, that present law changes to board policies are not to be applicable to students already enrolled in an approved program in Louisiana at the time the changes are made, unless the board finds that any such change can be made without undue hardship to the students enrolled.

Proposed law clarifies present law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:7(6)(a)(ii), (b)(i)(aa) and (bb), (ii), and (iv), and (c), (d), and (e), 7.1(A) and (B)(1) and (2), and 7.2(C))