

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 546  
by Representative Mincey

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, between "To" and "repeal" insert "amend and reenact R.S.  
3 17:7(6)(b)(i)(aa) and to"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 2, after "preparation" delete "programs;" and insert "and certification;"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 3, between "program;" and "and to" insert "to revise requirements for initial  
8 certification of school teachers;"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 1, line 5, between "Section 1." and "R.S." insert the following:

11 "R.S. 17:7(6)(b)(i)(aa) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:  
12 §7. Duties, functions, and responsibilities of board  
13 In addition to the authorities granted by R.S. 17:6 and any powers, duties, and  
14 responsibilities vested by any other applicable laws, the board shall:

15 \* \* \*  
16 (6)  
17 \* \* \*

18 (b)(i)(aa) A person applying for initial certification as a teacher in a public  
19 school shall have passed satisfactorily an examination, which shall include ~~English~~  
20 ~~proficiency~~, pedagogical knowledge; and knowledge in his area of specialization, as  
21 a prerequisite to the granting of such certificate. However, a person who is employed  
22 as a foreign language teacher in a Certified Foreign Language Immersion Program  
23 pursuant to R.S. 17:273.2, and who is not otherwise eligible to receive state  
24 authorization to teach through participation in the Foreign Associate Teacher  
25 Program, shall not be required to pass the examination required by this Subitem, but  
26 shall at least have a baccalaureate degree and shall be subject to all provisions of  
27 state law relative to background checks and criminal history review applicable to the  
28 employment of public school personnel.

29 \* \* \*  
30 Section 2."

31 AMENDMENT NO. 5

32 On page 1, after line 5, insert the following:

33 "Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
34 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
35 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
36 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
37 effective on the day following such approval."

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored  
are additions.