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**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Mizell to Engrossed House Bill No. 618 by Representative Lance Harris

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 2, at the beginning of line 3 delete "and (ii)", and insert "To amend  
3 and reenact R.S. 17:7(10), 15(A)(1)(b)(ii)"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 4, change "R.S. 17:7(6)(h)(iii)" to "R.S. 17:7(6)(f)(viii) and 7.1.1 and to  
6 repeal R.S. 17:7(6)(h) and (i)"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, delete line 11, at the beginning of line 12 delete "(ii)", and insert the following:  
9 "Section 1. R.S. 17:7(10), 15(A)(1)(b)(ii)"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 1, line 13, change "R.S. 17:7(6)(h)(iii) is" to "R.S. 17:7(6)(f)(viii) and 7.1.1 are"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 5

13 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 9, and insert the following:

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15 (f) \* \* \*  
16 (viii) Not later than December thirty-first of each year, the board shall submit a  
17 written report to the Senate Committee on Education and the House Committee on  
18 Education detailing the number of appeals filed with the board for the calendar year, the  
19 offense upon which the appeal is based, the disposition of each appeal, and the number of  
20 teacher certifications or other authorizations to teach issued as the result of all successful  
21 appeals. The information in the report shall be reported in aggregate and by individual  
22 school and school system.

23 AMENDMENT NO. 6

24 On page 2, line 20, after "contendere to a" delete the remainder of the line and insert "~~felony~~  
25 criminal"

26 AMENDMENT NO. 7

27 On page 2, at the end of line 21, delete the comma "," and insert the following:

28 "shall:  
29 (a) Not issue a teaching authorization to any person that has been convicted of or  
30 pled nolo contendere to any crime listed in R.S. 14:2(B) or R.S. 15:587.1(C)."

31 AMENDMENT NO. 8

32 On page 2, at the beginning of line 22, delete "in" and insert "(b) In"

33 AMENDMENT NO. 9

34 On page 2, between line 26 and 27 insert the following:

35 "§7.1.1. Prohibited Certification or Authorization of Certain Persons to Teach

1 A.(1) In carrying out its responsibilities to provide for the certification and  
2 authorization to teach as provided in R.S. 17:7(6), the State Board of Elementary and  
3 Secondary Education shall not issue a certification or authorization to any applicant who has  
4 been convicted of or has pled nolo contendere to a crime of violence listed in R.S. 14:2(B)  
5 or a criminal offense listed in R.S. 15:587.1(C) even if adjudication was withheld or a  
6 pardon or expungement was granted.

7 (2) A person who has been convicted of or has pled nolo contendere to a crime that  
8 is not a felony or is not prohibited in Paragraph 1 of this Subsection may be issued a teaching  
9 certificate or other teacher authorization by the board if all of the following conditions apply:

10 (a) Five years have passed from the date of entry of the person's final conviction or  
11 the date of entry of his plea of nolo contendere.

12 (b) The board has received a request from the person for a formal appeal and has  
13 conducted a review of the person's background and the person has provided letters of  
14 recommendation to the board, all in accordance with board policies.

15 B. A person who has been found to have submitted fraudulent documentation to the  
16 board or the state Department of Education as part of an application for a teaching certificate  
17 or other teaching authorization, or who has been found to have facilitated cheating on any  
18 state assessment as determined by the board may be issued a teaching certificate or other  
19 teaching authorization if all of the following conditions apply:

20 (1) Five years have passed from the date of receipt of notification from the board of  
21 its determination that he submitted fraudulent documentation or facilitated cheating on a  
22 state assessment.

23 (2) The board has received a request from the person for a formal appeal and has  
24 conducted a review of the person's background and the person has provided letters of  
25 recommendation to the board, all in accordance with board policies.

26 AMENDMENT NO. 10

27 On page 3, line 6, between "in" and "R.S. 15:587.1(C)" insert "R.S. 14:2(B) or"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 11

29 On page 3, line 23, after "any" delete remainder of the line and insert "felony offense, or any  
30 crime listed in"

31 AMENDMENT NO. 12

32 On page 3, at the beginning of line 24, insert "R.S. 14:2(B) or"

33 AMENDMENT NO. 13

34 On page 4, line 2, change "R.S. 14:2" to "R.S. 14:2(B) or a crime listed in R.S. 15:587.1(C)"

35 AMENDMENT NO. 14

36 On page 5, delete lines 9 and 10, and insert "from the class of any teacher who has a felony  
37 conviction and placed in another class"

38 AMENDMENT NO. 15

39 On page 5, line 23, between "listed in" and "R.S. 15:587.1(C)" insert "R.S. 14:2(B) or"

40 AMENDMENT NO. 16

41 On page 6, line 2, between "is" and "otherwise" insert "not"

42 AMENDMENT NO. 17

43 On page 6, after line 12, insert the following:

44 "Section 2. R.S. 17:7(6)(h) and (i) are hereby repealed.