

ACT No. 186

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HOUSE BILL NO. 45

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1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3403(A), relative to the certification of Montessori teachers;
3 to provide relative to the entities providing certification and accreditation of training
4 courses; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:3403(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §3403. Minimum requirements for teacher certification; authorization for
8 supplemental compensation

9 A. Montessori teachers having the requirements set forth ~~below~~ in this
10 Subsection shall be certified by the appropriate Montessori organization as follows:

11 (1) A ~~"Class A"~~ "Class C" teacher shall have a certification from either the
12 American Montessori Society, the Association Montessori Internationale, the
13 St. Nicholas Training Course of London, the International Montessori Council, the
14 Southwestern Montessori Training Center, or the Montessori World ~~Education~~
15 Educational Institute; or any other Montessori training course from a program
16 accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education or jointly
17 approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the
18 Louisiana Montessori Association;

19 (2) A "Class B" teacher shall meet the certification requirements of
20 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection plus have a baccalaureate degree and at least one
21 year of teaching experience in a Montessori school.

22 (2) (3) A ~~"Class B"~~ "Class A" teacher shall meet the certification
23 qualifications of Paragraph (2) of this Subsection ~~have a certification from either the~~

