2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 45

## BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

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

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_