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§18A-3B-3. Powers and duties.

Prior to January 1, 1995, the professional standards board shall develop a plan and propose legislation which will expand the powers and duties of the professional standards board to include the following: (1) Establish and maintain standards and requirements for obtaining and maintaining a license for teaching; (2) issue, renew, suspend, and revoke teaching licenses; (3) hear appeals regarding application, renewal, suspension or revocation of licenses; (4) enter into reciprocity agreements to provide for licensing of applicants from other states or nations; (5) set standards, approve, and evaluate teacher preparation programs; (6) adopt standards for examinations and assessments to assure eligibility for licenses to enter the profession of teaching; (7) create other actions that relate to the improvement of instruction through teacher education and professional development and to attract qualified candidates for teacher training from among the citizens of West Virginia; and (8) perform other actions that relate to the improvement of instruction through teacher education and professional development and to attract qualified candidates for teacher training from among the citizens of West Virginia.

On or before January 1, 1995, the board shall submit copies of the proposed legislation to the Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Delegates and the Legislative Oversight commission on education accountability.