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(By Ma Education Committee)

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(Com. Sub. for H. B. No. 61)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven and thirty, and to repeal sections twenty-eight, twenty-nine and forty-one, chapter eight-cen, article seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, abolishing emergency and third grade certificates; revising requirements for renewal of first grade, short course and supervisors' certificates; designating collegiate elementary certificates, superintendents' certificates, high school principals' certificates, high school certificates for junior and senior high schools, invalidating certain other certificates and providing for approval of certificates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven and thirty, chapter eighteen, article seven of the code

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of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be revised, amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 23. Subject to all the conditions hereinafter set forth 2 in this section, first grade elementary certificates, valid for a 3 period of five years, shall be issued to applicants who are other-4 wise qualified and who attain a general average of ninety per 5 cent, with no subject below seventy-five per cent; second grade 6 elementary certificates, valid for a period of two years, shall 7 be issued to applicants who are otherwise qualified and who 8 attain a general average of eighty per cent, with no subject 9 below sixty-eight per cent.

The subject in which applicants for such certificates shall be 11 examined or otherwise qualified according to law shall be deter-12 mined and prescribed from time to time by the state board of 13 education: Provided, however, That after the first day of July, 14 one thousand nine hundred thirty-five, all applicants for first 15 grade certificates shall have graduated from a first class high 16 school or its equivalent and shall have completed at least thirty-17 two semester hours of college work, not less than nine of which 18 shall be in professional subjects.

19 At the time of holding the first examination for elementary

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20 teachers' certificates, the state superintendent of free schools 21 shall hold examinations for all subjects in the high school course

22 of study which he may deem advisable.

23 Upon recommendation of the state board of education, the 24 state superintendent of schools shall have authority to set up

25 additional standards and prescribe equivalents and substitu-

26 tions which shall be accepted in satisfaction of the foregoing

27 requirements for high school and professional work.

28 The state superintendent of free schools shall have authority

29 to issue normal school certificates, valid for five years, to grad-

30 uates in the standard normal course of any state normal school,

31 or other school approved for the offering of this course, to

32 graduates in the normal course of the Bluefield Colored In-

33 stitute and of the West Virginia State College, and to persons

34 who have completed a normal course of study in any school of

35 another state, which, in the judgment of the state board of

36 education, is equivalent in all respects to the standard normal

37 course of study in the state normal schools of this state.

38 First and second grade elementary certificates shall be valid 39 in all the grades of the elementary schools: Provided, That no

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40 person shall be employed as principal of any school of two or 41 more rooms in the same building who does not hold a first grade 42 certificate or its equivalent.

Sec. 24. The state superintendent of schools shall have 2 authority to issue superintendents' certificates and high school 3 principals' certificates, valid for five years, upon application 4 in due form to applicants who meet the requirements pre-5 scribed by the state board of education for such certificates.

The state superintendent shall also have authority to issue

7 high school certificates, valid for five years, upon application 8 in due form, to graduates of the West Virginia University and 9 to graduates of other approved colleges and universities in this 10 and other states, if the collegiate courses of instruction com-11 pleted by such graduates have included not less than twenty 12 semester hours in professional subjects: Provided, That each 13 high school certificate issued under the provisions of this article 14 shall show the field or fields in which the holder thereof is espe-15 cially qualified to teach.

16 High school certificates shall be valid in all junior and senior 17 high schools in the state and shall be required in all classified 18 high schools.

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Sec. 25. The state superintendent of schools shall have 2 authority to issue supervisors' certificates valid for five years,

3 upon application in due form, to graduates of the West Vir-4 ginia University, or other approved universities or colleges, and

5 to graduates of the state normal schools or other institutions

6 approved by the state board of education for the offering of 7 the diploma normal course: Provided. That the course of in-

8 struction completed by such graduates shall have included not

9 less than twenty semester hours in professional subjects, five 10 semester hours of which shall have been in the subjects of school

11 supervision. Supervisors' certificates shall be valid in all

12 schools of the state.

Sec. 26. Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, the

2 state superintendent of schools shall have authority, upon the

3 recommendation of the state board of education upon applica-

4 tion in due form, to issue second grade temporary, first grade 5 temporary, and short course certificates valid for one, two and

6 three years, respectively, to persons who are otherwise quali-

7 fied and who have completed at least forty, forty-eight and

8 fifty-six hours, respectively, of the approved curriculum for

9 the standard normal certificate in any of our state normal

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10 schools or other schools approved by the state board of educa-11 tion. The short course certificate and the temporary certificate 12 shall be valid in the elementary schools of West Virginia.

Sec. 27. The state superintendent of free schools shall have 2 authority, upon the recommendation of the state board of edu-3 cation, to issue special certificates to librarians, kindergarten 4 teachers, primary teachers, and special teachers and supervisors 5 of music, drawing, physical training, home economics, manual 6 training, agriculture and other vocational subjects, and such 7 other subjects as the needs of the schools may require. Special 8 certificates may be issued upon examination in subjects named 9 by the state board of education, or upon satisfactory comple-10 tion by the applicants therefor of such courses of study as pre-11 scribed by the state board of education for the issuance of such 12 certificates. Special certificates shall be valid for a period of 13 five years throughout the state for the teaching or for the 14 supervising of special subjects to be designated on such certifi-15 cates.

Sec. 28. Section twenty-eight is hereby repealed.

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Sec. 30. All first grade certificates, normal school certificates.

2 collegiate elementary certificates, superintendents' certificates,

3 high school principals' certificates, high school certificates, su-

4 pervisors' certificates and special certificates, valid for five

5 years, shall, upon their expiration or within the year imme-

6 diately following, be renewable for five year periods: Provided,

7 That the holders thereof shall have taught or otherwise been

8 actively engaged in educational work for not less than three

9 years of each five year period, and shall have completed during

10 each five year period after October first, one thousand nine hun-

11 dred thirty-three, not less than six semester hours of work

11-a in an accredited school. It is further provided that all ap-

12 plications for renewal shall be accompanied by a recommenda-

13 tion from the county superintendent of the county where the

14 applicant last taught: Provided, however, That if the appli-

15 cant seeking a renewal has cause to believe that the county su-

16 perintendent refuses to give a recommendation without just

17 cause, the applicant shall have the right in such case to appeal

18 to the state superintendent of schools.

19 At the end of the second renewal five year period, the holder

20 of any certificate designated in the preceding paragraph shall

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21 receive a similar certificate valid for life, provided the holder 22 of such certificate has complied with the renewal requirements 23 as above provided for each five year period. All certificates 24 issued for a period of five years or longer shall be considered 25 first grade certificates as to renewal and payment of salaries. 26 In any case where a person has held a short course certificate. 27 such certificate shall be renewable prior to October first, one 28 thousand nine hundred thirty-three, in the manner now pro-29 vided by law. On and after October first, one thousand nine 30 hundred thirty-three, such short course certificates, as are then 31 in force, shall be renewable for three year periods: Provided. 32 That the holder thereof shall have taught two years, or other-33 wise actively engaged in educational work for a period of two 34 years, shall have completed during each three year period not 35 less than six hours of work in an accredited school, and shall be 36 recommended for such renewal by the county superintendent 37 of schools in which the applicant last taught: Provided, how-38 ever, That if the applicant seeking a renewal has cause to be-

39 lieve that the county superintendent refuses to give a recom-

40 mendation without just cause, the applicant shall have the right

41 in such case to appeal to the state superintendent of schools.

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42 The short course certificate shall not be issued after October 43 first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three.

In any case where a person holds a first grade temporary 45 certificate, such certificate shall be renewable provided the holder 46 shall have taught one year, completed eight semester hours in 47 an approved normal, college or university, and shall be recom-48 mended for such renewal by the county superintendent of 49 schools of the county in which the one year was taught. The 50 second grade temporary certificate shall not be renewed.

51 In any case where any person has held a first class certificate, 52 in accordance with the provisions of this act and has permitted 53 the same to lapse, such person may apply to the state superin-54 tendent of free schools for reinstatement for such certificate 55 within a period of three years after the expiration of said cer-56 tificate. The applicant shall furnish with his application a 57 record showing the completion of not less than six semester 58 hours of work in an accredited school during the life of the 59 certificate, together with a statement signed by the county su-60 perintendent of schools of the county in which he resides, to 61 the effect that the applicant is a person of good moral character,

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62 is in good health, is a suitable person to be entrusted with the 63 care and education of children, and bears the reputation of 64 having been a successful teacher: Provided, however, That if the 65 applicant seeking a renewal has cause to believe that the county 66 superintendent refuses to give a recommendation without just 67 cause, the applicant shall have the right in such case to appeal 68 to the state superintendent of schools. If in the opinion of the 69 state superintendent of free schools, such applicant is a suitable 70 person to be entrusted with the care and education of children. 71 has been successful in the work of teaching, and has complied 72 with the foregoing reinstatement requirements, such certificate 73 shall be reinstated in such manner as to replace such applicant 74 in the relative position he held as to certificate rights on the 75 thirtieth day of June following the close of the last term of 76 school taught on such certificate.

All certificates of all grades not issued through a regularly 78 advertised examination and all certificates not issued on grades 79 earned in high school or other schools approved by the state 80 board of education, a record of which is filed in the office of the 81 state superintendent of schools, shall expire on the thirtieth day 82 of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three.

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83 After the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-

84 four all teachers of this state shall hold certificates approved by

85 the state department of education.

Sec. 41. Section forty-one is hereby repealed.

2 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of

3 this act are hereby repealed.

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