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SENATE BILL NO. 41

(By Mr. Carson, Mr. President, and Mr. McKown)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section fifteen, article seven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the qualifications and requirements for certification of teachers, and specifically providing for the certification of aliens to teach a foreign language in the public school system.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fifteen, article seven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 15. Teacher Certification; General Qualifications and Requirements; Certification of Aliens.—No person employed as a teacher in the free schools of this state
shall receive for such services any part of any free school funds who does not hold a valid teaching certificate licensing him to teach in the public schools for the period of his employment and showing the grade levels and subject areas in which he is qualified to teach: Provided, That if a teacher is employed in good faith on the anticipation that he is eligible for a certificate and it is later determined that he was not eligible, the state superintendent of schools may authorize payment by the county board of education to the teacher for a time not exceeding one school month. All certificates shall expire on June thirtieth of the last year of their validity irrespective of the date of issuance. Under no circumstances shall a certificate to teach be granted to any person who is not a citizen of the United States, is not of good moral character and physically, mentally and emotionally qualified to perform the duties of a teacher and who has not attained the age of eighteen years on or before the first day of October of the year in which his certificate is issued: Provided, however, That an exchange teacher from a foreign country shall not be required to be a citizen of the United States,
and a person who is not a citizen of the United States may be granted a certificate to teach a foreign language.

The term "teacher" as used in this section is intended to include the classroom teacher, school librarian, school principal, school superintendent, assistant superintendent, supervisor of instruction and other persons employed in similar positions.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect 90 days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approve this the 14th day of March, 1963.

Governor