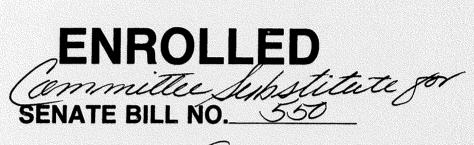
RECEIVED

1992 APR - I PM 6: 01

OFFICE OF WEST VIRGINIA SECRETARY OF STATE

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1992



(By Senator _

Ł

<u>ch (c</u> 1992 PASSED 76m Passage In Effect 2

ENROLLED

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

Senate Bill No. 550

(SENATOR WAGNER, original sponsor)

[Passed March 6, 1992; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two-a, article three, chapter eighteen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to establishing requirements for certification in educational administration.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 3. TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, LICENSING, PROFES-SIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

§18A-3-2a. Authority of state superintendent to issue certificates; kinds of certificates.

In accordance with state board of education rules for
 the education of professional educators adopted after
 consultation with the secretary of education and the
 arts, the state superintendent of schools may issue
 certificates valid in the public schools of the state:

6 *Provided*, That a certificate shall not be issued to any 7 person who is not a citizen of the United States, is not 8 of good moral character and physically, mentally and 9 emotionally qualified to perform the duties for which 10 the certification would be granted and who has not 11 attained the age of eighteen years on or before the 12 first day of October of the year in which the certificate 13 is issued: *Provided*, *however*, That an exchange 14 teacher from a foreign country or an alien person who 15 meets the requirements to teach may be granted a 16 permit to teach within the public schools of the state.

17 Certificates authorized to be issued include:

18 (1) Professional teaching certificates. — A profes19 sional teaching certificate for teaching in the public
20 schools may be issued to a person who:

(A) Has at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education in this state, has completed a program for the education of teachers which meets the requirements approved by the state board of education or has met equivalent standards at institutions in other states and has passed appropriate state board approved basic skills and subject matter tests or has completed three years of successful experience within the last seven years in the area for which licensure is being sought; or

(B) Has at least a bachelor's degree in a discipline taught in the public schools from an accredited institution of higher education, has passed appropriate state board approved basic skills and subject matter tests or has completed three years of successful experience within the last seven years in the area for which licensure is being sought, has completed an alternative program for teacher education approved by the state board and is recommended for a certificate by the chairperson of the professional support team of the persons alternative program or the state superintendent based on documentation submitted.

43 The certificate shall be endorsed to indicate the44 grade level or levels or areas of specialization in which45 the person is certified to teach or to serve in the public

46 schools. The initial professional certificate shall be 47 issued provisionally for a period of three years from 48 the date of issuance and may be converted to a 49 professional certificate valid for five years subject to 50 successful completion of a beginning teacher intern-51 ship, if applicable, or renewed subject to rules adopted 52 by the state board.

3

53 (2) Professional administrative certificate. -A54 professional administrative certificate, endorsed for 55 serving in the public schools, with specific endorse-56 ment as a principal, vocational administrator, supervi-57 sor of instructions or superintendent, may be issued to 58 a person who has completed requirements all to be 59 approved by the state board as follows: For a master's 60 degree from an institution of higher education accred-61 ited to offer a master's degree, has successfully 62 completed an approved program for administrative 63 certification, developed by the state board of education 64 in cooperation with the governing boards of the 65 university of West Virginia system and the state 66 college system, has successfully completed education 67 and training in evaluation skills through the center for 68 professional development, or equivalent education and 69 training in evaluation skills, and three years of 70 management level experience: *Provided*, That anyone 71 having received a certificate during the period from 72 the thirtieth day of August, one thousand nine hun-73 dred ninety, until the effective date of this bill without 74 having met the above requirements shall complete 75 those requirements within five years after the effec-76 tive date of this bill: Provided, however, That any 77 person serving in the position of dean of students on 78 the effective date of this section shall not be required 79 to hold a professional administrative certificate. 80 Beginning the first day of September, one thousand 81 nine hundred ninety-two, the initial professional 82 administrative certificate shall be issued provisionally 83 for a period of five years. This certificate may be 84 converted to a professional administrative certificate 85 valid for five years or renewed, subject to the regula-86 tions of the state board.

87 (3) Paraprofessional certificate. — A paraprofessional
88 certificate may be issued to a person who has com89 pleted thirty-six semester hours of post-secondary
90 education or its equivalent in subjects directly related
91 to performance of the job, all approved by the state
92 board, and can demonstrate the proficiencies to
93 perform duties as required of a paraprofessional as
94 defined in section eight, article four of this chapter.

95 (4) Other certificates; permits. — Other certificates 96 and permits may be issued, subject to the approval of 97 the state board, to persons who do not qualify for the 98 professional or paraprofessional certificate. Such 99 certificates or permits shall not be given permanent 100 status and persons holding such shall meet renewal 101 requirements provided by law and by regulation, 102 unless the state board declares certain of these certif-103 icates to be the equivalent of the professional 104 certificate.

105 Within the category of other certificates and permits, 106 the state superintendent may issue certificates for persons to serve in the public schools as athletic 107 108 coaches or other extracurricular activities coaches 109 whose duties may include the supervision of students, 110 subject to the following limitations: (A) Such person shall be employed under a contract with the county 111 board of education which specifies the duties to be 112 performed, which specifies a rate of pay equivalent to 113 114 the rate of pay for professional educators in the 115 district who accept similar duties as extra duty assignments and which provides for liability insurance 116 associated with the activity: Provided, That such 117 118 persons shall not be considered employees of the board 119 for salary and benefit purposes other than as specified 120in the contract; (B) a currently employed certified 121 professional educator has not applied for the position; and (C) such person completes an orientation program 122123 designed and approved in accordance with state board 124 rules which shall be adopted no later than the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred ninety-one. 125

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Ernest C. Moore Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

ON Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within *la appuned* this the *list* day of *Apul* Governor

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR Date 3/20/52 Time 3:35pm