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Overview

Allows the Board of Teaching to issue up to three temporary one-year teaching licenses to otherwise qualified teacher license candidates who do not pass the teacher skills exam. Allows a teacher who is employed by a district and has been issued three temporary one-year teaching licenses to continue teaching in the district, at the district's request, but without acquiring continuing contract or seniority rights.

Section

- 1 License and rules.** (b) Directs the Board of Teaching to adopt rules requiring a person to attempt to pass the teacher skills exam before entering a teacher preparation program. Requires preparation program providers to use the exam results of a person who does not pass the skills exam to identify areas of deficiency where the person needs remedial assistance. Requires teacher licensure candidates to pass the skills exam as a condition of receiving an initial teaching license.

Makes this section effective for the 2016-2017 school year and later.
- 2 Teacher and support personnel qualifications.** (c) Allows the board of teaching to issue up to three temporary one-year teaching licenses to a person who has not passed the teacher skills exam but is otherwise qualified for a teaching license so that during that time the person may retake the skills exam, multiple times if needed. Allows a person who is employed by a school district to teach, has been issued three temporary one-year teaching licenses, and who has not passed the skills exam to continue teaching for the district, at the district's request, under a temporary license but precludes the person from acquiring continuing contract or seniority rights within the district.

Makes this section immediately effective.

