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### Overview

Proposes to amend the nonlicensed community expert statute to allow the Board of Teaching to approve nonlicensed community experts sponsored by a company or corporation involved in commercial agriculture or a related industry to assist with instruction in agricultural education courses in a school district or charter school.

#### Section

- 1 Agricultural education sponsorship.** Requires school districts and charter schools to apply to the Board of Teaching for approval to allow nonlicensed community experts sponsored by a company or corporation involved in commercial agriculture or a related industry to assist with instruction in agricultural education courses. Prohibits the school district and charter school from compensating either the sponsor or the community expert for any instructional services provided under this section. Limits these community experts in agricultural education to teaching agricultural education courses and serving as Future Farmers of America or 4-H advisors. In deciding whether to approve an application under this section, directs the Board of Teaching to consider: the qualifications of the sponsored community expert; the extent to which the district or charter school uses other nonlicensed community experts; the amount of instructional time the sponsored community expert would provide; and the nature of the sponsored community expert proposed teaching responsibility.