

# H.F. 1137 As Introduced

**Subject Teachers** 

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### **Overview**

This bill codes a new statute on heritage language and culture teachers. It requires the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB) to establish a licensure pathway for heritage language and culture teachers to be licensed as world language teachers and establishes program requirements.

# **Summary**

#### **Section Description**

1 Supporting heritage language and culture teachers.

**Subd. 1. Purpose.** States that purpose of statute is to increase the number of heritage language and culture teachers in Minnesota.

**Subd. 2. Definitions.** Defines "heritage language and culture teachers."

**Subd. 3. Eligibility.** Requires applicants for heritage language and culture licensure pathway program to have a license from PELSB or meet the criteria for a Tier 1 license, and seek licensure in a heritage language.

**Subd. 4.** Heritage language and culture teacher licensure pathway program. Requires PELSB to develop a program to support initial and additional licensure for heritage language and culture teachers. Establishes program requirements. Requires applicants seeking a license to meet the standards of effective practice, and content-specific pedagogical standards.

**Subd. 5.** Heritage language and culture educators seeking a world language license. Allows applicants seeking a world language license who demonstrate proficiency in specified ways to use this proficiency to show they meet required content-specific world language and culture standards.

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# 2 Appropriations.

Appropriates money to PELSB to support an additional licensure pathway program for heritage language and culture teachers.



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