

Subject Teacher Licensure

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Overview

This bill modifies Tier 2 and Tier 3 licensure requirements. It requires Tier 2 candidates to complete a state-approved teacher preparation program, and eliminates the provision that allows Tier 2 teachers who have taught for three years to obtain a Tier 3 license.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Requirements. [Tier 2 license] Eliminates the coursework requirement for a Tier 2 license, and replaces it with a requirement that a candidate have completed a state-approved teacher preparation program.
2	Temporary eligibility for renewal. [Tier 2 license] Allows a Tier 2 teacher who would otherwise be ineligible to renew the license based on changes in the bill, to renew the license for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years only.
3	Coursework. [Tier 3 license] Eliminates pathway to Tier 3 license for Tier 2 teachers who have taught for three years and have a summative evaluation that did not place them on an improvement process.
4	Temporary eligibility. [Tier 3 license] Allows a candidate with a Tier 2 license to remain eligible for a Tier 3 license, despite other changes in the bill, until December 31, 2026.

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5	Appropriations. Appropriates money for pathway preparation grants, a licensure via portfolio online platform, and a position at the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board to support candidates through alternative pathway programs.
6	Repealer. Repeals Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.182, subdivision 2 (coursework requirements).



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