

SB0316



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Introduced 2/7/2007, by Sen. Edward D. Maloney

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/21-21

from Ch. 122, par. 21-21

Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning recognition of higher education institutions as teacher education institutions.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 21-21 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21-21) (from Ch. 122, par. 21-21)

7 Sec. 21-21. Definitions; granting of recognition; regional
8 accreditation.

9 (a) "Recognized", as used in this Article in connection
10 with the ~~the~~ word "school" or "institution", means such school,
11 college, university, private junior college, public community
12 college or special or technical school as maintains a course of
13 study, a standard of scholarship and other requirements set by
14 the State Board of Education in consultation with the State
15 Teacher Certification Board. Application for recognition of
16 such school or institution as a teacher education institution
17 shall be made to the State Board of Education. The State Board
18 of Education in consultation with the State Teacher
19 Certification Board shall set the criteria by which the school
20 or institution shall be judged and through the Secretary of the
21 Board shall arrange for an official inspection and shall grant
22 recognition of such school or institution as may meet the
23 required standards. If such standards include requirements

1 with regard to education in acquiring skills in working with
2 culturally distinctive students, as defined by the State Board
3 of Education, then the rules of the State Board of Education
4 shall include the criteria used to evaluate compliance with
5 this requirement. No school or institution shall make
6 assignments of student teachers or teachers for practice
7 teaching so as to promote segregation on the basis of race,
8 creed, color, religion, sex or national origin.

9 All recommendations for initial or standard certification
10 shall be made by a recognized teacher training institution
11 operating a program of preparation for the certificate approved
12 by the State Superintendent of Education in consultation with
13 the State Teacher Certification Board. The State Board of
14 Education in consultation with the State Teacher Certification
15 Board shall have the power to define a major or minor when used
16 as a basis for recognition and certification purposes.

17 (b) "Regionally accredited" or "accredited" as used in this
18 Article in connection with a university or institution shall
19 mean an institution of higher education accredited by the North
20 Central Association or other comparable regional accrediting
21 association.

22 (Source: P.A. 91-102, eff. 7-12-99.)