



2020 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1032

Introduced by: The Committee on Education at the request of the Department of Education

1 **An Act to revise the authority of the Board of Education Standards to promulgate**
 2 **rules regarding certification.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1.** That § 13-42-3 be AMENDED:

5 **13-42-3. Certification of educational professionals--Promulgation of Rules.**

6 The South Dakota Board of Education Standards shall promulgate rules, pursuant
 7 to chapter 1-26, to establish the requirements and criteria that an applicant shall meet in
 8 order to be issued a certificate by the secretary as a teacher, administrator, or other
 9 educational professional authorizing the holder of the certificate to accept a position in
 10 any elementary or secondary school in the grades and fields specified by the certificate.
 11 The rules shall specify the duration and the method of renewal ~~or reinstatement~~, the
 12 amount of the fee for issuing the certificate, the application procedures and documentation
 13 requirements for certificates, the endorsements to certificates, the requirements for
 14 certification, the procedures for denial or nonrenewal of a certificate and disciplinary
 15 proceedings and assessment of costs, the procedures for requesting an inactive status
 16 and reinstatement, the procedures and costs for reinstatement of an invalid certificate,
 17 the definition of inactive certificate status, the procedures for processing applications and
 18 issuing certificates for military spouses, the procedures for granting reciprocity for any
 19 teacher who is certified to teach in another state and has completed an accredited teacher
 20 education program, and other procedures necessary for the administration of certification.

21 In addition to teacher certificate renewal based on academic coursework, the rules for
 22 teacher certificate renewal shall include guidelines and criteria by which an applicant may
 23 receive credit toward renewal based on private or public sector experience that was not
 24 obtained through academic coursework if the experience is related to the applicant's
 25 teaching field. Any change to a rule promulgated pursuant to this section ~~which~~ that
 26 increases the educational requirements ~~that~~ an applicant shall meet to qualify for a

1 certificate shall be preceded by at least two years' notice before the effective date of the
2 change. The two-year notice requirement does not apply to an increase in the application
3 fee, which ~~increase shall~~ must comply with §§ 1-26-4.8 and 1-26-6.9.