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HOUSE BILL 17-1332

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AUTHORIZATION FOR AN
102 ALTERNATIVE TEACHER LICENSE FOR A PERSON WHO
103 PARTICIPATES IN AN ALTERNATIVE TEACHER PROGRAM
104 PROVIDED BY A DESIGNATED AGENCY WORKING WITH A
105 NONPUBLIC EARLY CHILD CARE FACILITY.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill provides that the state board of education may issue an alternative teacher license to an applicant who agrees to participate fully

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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in a one- or 2-year alternative teacher program provided by a designated agency, which may include working in a nonpublic child care facility or other preschool facility.

101 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

102 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, **amend**
103 (1)(a)(I)(D) and (2) as follows:

104 **22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term.** (1) The
105 department is designated as the sole agency authorized to issue the
106 following teacher licenses to persons of good moral character:

107 (a) **Alternative teacher license.** (I) The department may, at its
108 discretion, issue an alternative teacher license to any applicant who:

109 (D) Agrees to participate fully in a one-year or two-year
110 alternative teacher program provided by a designated agency, WHICH MAY
111 INCLUDE WORKING AS AN ALTERNATIVE TEACHER IN A LICENSED
112 NONPUBLIC CHILD CARE FACILITY OR OTHER PRESCHOOL FACILITY.

113 (2) The state board of education is authorized to establish by rule
114 ~~and regulation~~, such other requirements for licenses specified in
115 subsection (1) of this section as it deems necessary to maintain and
116 improve the quality of education instructional programs in the public
117 schools AND LICENSED NONPUBLIC CHILD CARE FACILITIES OR OTHER
118 PRESCHOOL FACILITIES of this state; except that the state board of
119 education may not require any person who applies for a professional
120 teacher license either while holding a valid initial teacher license or upon
121 expiration of an initial teacher license to demonstrate professional
122 competencies if ~~said person~~ HE OR SHE demonstrated professional
123 competencies prior to obtaining the initial teacher license.

124 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

101 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
102 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.