

## CHAPTER 92

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**EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**SENATE BILL 95-075**

BY SENATORS Alexander, Matsunaka, Meiklejohn, Schaffer, and Tebedo;  
also REPRESENTATIVES Acquafresca, Anderson, Congrove, Dean, Entz, George, Kaufman, Lamborn, Moellenberg, Musgrave,  
Piffner, Reeser, and Schwarz.

**AN ACT****CONCERNING LICENSING OF EDUCATORS.**

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

**SECTION 1.** 22-60.5-111 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended, and the said 22-60.5-111 (1) is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

**22-60.5-111. Authorization - types - applicants' qualifications.** (1) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the state board of education, the department of education is authorized to issue the following authorizations to persons of good moral character meeting the qualifications prescribed by this section and by the rules and regulations of the state board of education:

(a) A type I authorization, adjunct teacher, certifies that a person possesses outstanding talent in a particular area of specialization and demonstrates specific abilities and knowledge therein in such area. A PERSON MAY QUALIFY FOR A TYPE I AUTHORIZATION REGARDLESS OF WHETHER HE OR SHE HAS OBTAINED ANY POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION; EXCEPT THAT, IF THE PERSON HAS NOT OBTAINED AT LEAST A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE, HE OR SHE MUST HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY EMPLOYED IN THE AREA OF SPECIALIZATION FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS. The teacher's services shall have been requested by a board of education and shall be limited to the area of specialization. A type I authorization is ~~renewable~~ VALID FOR THREE YEARS AND MAY BE RENEWED indefinitely upon request by a board of education based upon the documented needs of the program.

(f) A TYPE VI AUTHORIZATION, TEMPORARY, AUTHORIZES A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

EMPLOY A PERSON WHO IS CERTIFIED OR LICENSED AS A TEACHER, SPECIAL SERVICES PROVIDER, PRINCIPAL, OR ADMINISTRATOR IN ANOTHER STATE AND HAS NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE ASSESSMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCIES TO OBTAIN A PROVISIONAL LICENSE UNDER SECTION 22-60.5-201 (1)(b), 22-60.5-210(1)(a), 22-60.5-301 (1) (a), OR 22-60.5-306 (1) (a). A TYPE VI TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION IS VALID FOR TWO YEARS AND MAY NOT BE RENEWED. THE EMPLOYING SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY INCLUDE THE PERIOD DURING WHICH A PERSON WORKS UNDER A TYPE VI TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION TOWARD THE THREE FULL YEARS OF CONTINUOUS EMPLOYMENT NECESSARY TO CEASE BEING A PROBATIONARY TEACHER PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-63-103 (7).

**SECTION 2.** 22-60.5-114, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended to read:

**22-60.5-114. State board of education - waivers.** (1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary and upon application of any institution of higher education, school district, or board of cooperative services, the state board of education is authorized to waive any requirement imposed by this article in regard to alternative teacher programs, approved induction programs, professional development plans, or approved programs of preparation. Such waiver shall be granted only upon a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the state board of education and upon a sufficient showing that such waiver is necessary to allow innovative programs or plans intended to improve the quality of such educators. The state board of education shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding such procedures and criteria necessary for the implementation of this section.

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY GRANT A WAIVER OF THE INDUCTION PROGRAM REQUIREMENT UPON A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS AND UPON A SUFFICIENT SHOWING THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INDUCTION PROGRAM WOULD CAUSE EXTREME HARDSHIP TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AN APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF THE INDUCTION PROGRAM REQUIREMENT SHALL INCLUDE A PLAN FOR THE SUPPORT, ASSISTANCE, AND TRAINING OF PROVISIONALLY LICENSED EDUCATORS.

**SECTION 3.** Part 3 of article 60.5 of title 22, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1988 Repl. Vol., as amended, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

**22-60.5-309.5. Licensed administrators - occasional teaching.** ANY ADMINISTRATOR WHO HOLDS A VALID PROVISIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATOR'S LICENSE PURSUANT TO THIS PART 3, WHO HAS COMPLETED THREE OR MORE YEARS OF SUCCESSFUL TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL, AND WHO, ON OCCASION, FUNCTIONS AS A TEACHER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO HOLD A VALID PROVISIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL TEACHER LICENSE PURSUANT TO PART 2 OF THIS ARTICLE. THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH BY RULE AND REGULATION WHAT CONSTITUTES OCCASIONAL TEACHING FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 4. Effective date.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1995.

**SECTION 5. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: April 20, 1995