

HB 2776 -- CERTIFICATES OF LICENSE TO TEACH

SPONSOR: Haley

This bill gives the State Board of Education the authority to issue a temporary authorization certificate to applicants that complete a state-approved associate of applied science-level teacher preparation program and have received an associates degree in a teaching field. Applicants must also achieve a qualifying score on the Missouri general education assessment and complete a background check.

Individuals with a temporary authorization certificate can work in public schools for two years as a substitute, paraprofessional, or teacher.

The bill provides additional criteria for the granting of a full certificate of licensure for such individuals, including participation in a mentor program, professional development, and either a qualifying score on the Missouri content assessment in a specific subject area or an acceptable score on the state-approved teacher evaluation system, as specified.