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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; AMENDING AND ENACTING SECTIONS OF THE
SCHOOL PERSONNEL ACT TO STREAMLINE TEACHER ACCESS TO
ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSURE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 22-10A-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws
2003, Chapter 153, Section 42, as amended) is amended to
read:

"22-10A-11. LEVEL THREE LICENSURE--TRACKS FOR
TEACHERS.--

A. A level three-A license is a nine-year license
granted to a teacher who meets the qualifications for that
level and who annually demonstrates instructional leader
competencies. If a level three-A teacher does not
demonstrate essential competency in a given school year, the
school district shall provide the teacher with additional
professional development and peer intervention during the
following school year. If by the end of that school year the
teacher fails to demonstrate essential competency, a school
district may choose not to contract with the teacher to teach
in the classroom.

B. The department shall grant a level three-A
license to an applicant who has been a level two teacher for
at least three years and holds a post-baccalaureate degree or

1 national board for professional teaching standards
2 certification; demonstrates instructional leader competence
3 as required by the department and verified by the local
4 superintendent through the highly objective uniform statewide
5 standard of evaluation; and meets other qualifications for
6 the license.

7 C. With the adoption by the department of a highly
8 objective uniform statewide standard of evaluation for level
9 three-A teachers, the minimum salary for a level three-A
10 teacher for a standard nine and one-half month contract shall
11 be fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)."

12 SECTION 2. A new section of the School Personnel Act is
13 enacted to read:

14 "LEVEL THREE-B ADMINISTRATOR'S LICENSE--TRACKS FOR
15 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR LICENSURE.--

16 A. A level three-B administrator's license is a
17 five-year license granted to an applicant who meets the
18 qualifications for that license. Licenses may be renewed
19 upon satisfactory annual demonstration of instructional
20 leader and administrative competency.

21 B. The department shall grant a level three-B
22 administrator's license to an applicant who:

23 (1) has completed a department-approved
24 administrator preparation program;

25 (2) holds a current level two or level three

1 teacher's license; and

2 (3) holds a post-baccalaureate degree or
3 national board for professional teaching standards
4 certification.

5 C. The minimum annual salary for a licensed school
6 principal or assistant school principal shall be fifty
7 thousand dollars (\$50,000) multiplied by the applicable
8 responsibility factor.

9 D. The department shall adopt a highly objective
10 uniform statewide standard of evaluation, including data
11 sources linked to student achievement and an educational plan
12 for student success progress, for school principals and
13 assistant school principals and rules for the implementation
14 of that evaluation system linked to the level of
15 responsibility at each school level.

16 E. As used in this section, "level three-B
17 administrator's license" means a five-year license granted to
18 an applicant who meets the qualifications pursuant to this
19 section and department rules."

20 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
21 provisions of this act is July 1, 2015. _____

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