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44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2000

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; PROVIDING FOR CHANGES TO THE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.

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

Section 1. Section 22-10-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1975, Chapter 306, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-10-3. CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENT--TYPES OF CERTIFICATES--FORFEITURE OF CLAIM--EXCEPTION--ADMINISTRATOR APPRENTICESHIP. --

Any person teaching, supervising an instructional program, counseling or providing special instructional services in a public school or state agency, any person administering in a public school and any person providing health care and administering medication or performing medical procedures in a public school shall hold a valid certificate authorizing the person to perform that

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All certificates issued by the state board shall be standard certificates except that the state board may issue alternative, substandard and substitute certificates under certain circumstances. If a person applies for and is qualified to receive an alternative certificate, the state board shall issue an alternative certificate to a person not meeting the requirements for a standard certificate. If a local school board or the governing authority of a state agency certifies to the state board that an emergency exists in the hiring of a qualified person, the state board may issue a substandard certificate to a person not meeting the requirements for a standard certificate. The state board may also issue a substitute certificate to a person not meeting the requirements for a standard certificate to enable the person to perform the functions of a substitute teacher pursuant to the [regulations] rules of the state board. All substandard [and substitute] certificates issued shall be effective for only one school year. An alternative certificate may be effective for up to three years, provided that after a person has satisfactorily completed a minimum of one year up to three years of teaching under the supervision of a mentor or clinical supervisor, the state board shall issue a standard certificate to that person. No person under the age of eighteen years shall hold a valid certificate, whether a standard, alternative <u>or</u> substandard [or substitute].

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person under the age of twenty-one years shall hold a substitute certificate.

- C. Any person teaching, supervising an instructional program, counseling or providing special instructional services in a public school or state agency and any person administering in a public school without a valid certificate after the first three months of the school year shall thereafter forfeit all claim to compensation for services rendered.
- This section shall not apply to a person performing the functions of a practice teacher as defined in the [regulations] rules of the state board.
- Any school nurse certified by the department of education shall also be licensed by the board of nursing.
- Notwithstanding any existing requirements, any person seeking certification as an administrator shall be required to serve a one-year apprenticeship. The state board shall develop criteria and [regulations] rules to implement the provisions of this subsection."

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