RELATING TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL; PROVIDING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE LEVEL THREE-B LICENSURE TRACK FOR INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN MINIMUM SALARIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
SECTION 1. A new section of the School Personnel Act is enacted to read:
"ALTERNATIVE LEVEL THREE-B LICENSURE--TRACK FOR INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS.--
A. An alternative level three-B license is a fiveyear license granted to a school administrator applicant who meets the qualifications for that level. Licenses may be renewed upon satisfactory annual demonstration of instructional leader and administrative competency.
B. The department shall grant an alternative level three-B license to an applicant who is licensed by the department as a school counselor, school social worker, school nurse, speech-language pathologist, psychologist, physical therapist, physical therapy assistant, occupational therapist, occupational therapy assistant, recreational therapist, marriage and family therapist, interpreter for the deaf or diagnostician and who:
(1) holds a post-baccalaureate degree;
(2) has satisfactorily completed department- HB 41 Page 1
approved courses in administration and a department-approved administration apprenticeship program; and
(3) demonstrates instructional leader competence required by the department and verified by the local superintendent through the highly objective uniform statewide standard of evaluation.
C. The minimum annual salary for an alternative level three-B licensed school principal or assistant school principal shall be fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) multiplied by the applicable responsibility factor."

