

SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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A bill for an act

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 1.2 relating to education; clarifying continuing education clock hour requirements for
 1.3 teachers licensed to teach deaf and hard-of-hearing students in prekindergarten
 1.4 through grade 12; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.28,
 1.5 subdivision 1.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 122A.28, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.8 Subdivision 1. **K-12 license to teach deaf and hard-of-hearing students;**
 1.9 **relicensure.** (a) The Board of Teaching must review and determine appropriate licensure
 1.10 requirements for a candidate for a license or an applicant for a continuing license to teach
 1.11 deaf and hard-of-hearing students in prekindergarten through grade 12. In addition to
 1.12 other requirements, a candidate must demonstrate the minimum level of proficiency in
 1.13 American sign language as determined by the board.

1.14 (b) Among other relicensure requirements, each teacher under this section must
 1.15 complete 30 continuing education clock hours on hearing loss topics, including American
 1.16 Sign Language, American Sign Language linguistics, or deaf culture, for every 120
 1.17 continuing education clock hours the teacher must complete for licensure renewal.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2013.