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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to teacher licensing; providing for short-call substitute teacher emergency

1.3 licensing provisions; appropriating money.

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

1.5 Section 1. **SHORT-CALL SUBSTITUTE TEACHER EMERGENCY LICENSING**

1.6 **PROVISIONS.**

1.7 (a) A short-call substitute teacher licensure candidate may apply to the Professional

1.8 Educator Licensing and Standards Board for a short-call substitute teaching license to teach

1.9 in any content area with a teacher vacancy that a school district or charter school determines

1.10 is appropriate. The board must issue a license to a candidate who successfully demonstrates

1.11 that they meet the qualifications for the license. The application information must sufficiently

1.12 demonstrate that the applicant:

1.13 (1) meets the professional requirements for a Tier 1 license under Minnesota Statutes,

1.14 section 122A.181, subdivision 2, paragraph (a) or (b);

1.15 (2) is enrolled in a state-approved teacher preparation program and has successfully

1.16 completed student teaching; or

1.17 (3) has been employed as an education support personnel or paraprofessional within a

1.18 district or charter school for at least one academic year.

1.19 (b) The Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board must not issue a teaching

1.20 license until a background study under Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.18, subdivision

1.21 8, is completed. The board may deny the license upon receiving background study

1.22 information.

2.1 (c) The Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board may require an applicant
2.2 to provide a college transcript, where applicable, and the applicant has 60 days to provide
2.3 the transcript. The board must issue a temporary teaching license pending receipt of the
2.4 college transcript, where applicable, and must suspend or revoke the license immediately
2.5 if the transcript is not provided after 60 days.

2.6 (d) Each assignment to replace a teacher of record must last no longer than 20 consecutive
2.7 school days.

2.8 (e) A school district or charter school must report any complaints against a short-call
2.9 substitute teacher licensed under this section to the Professional Educator Licensing and
2.10 Standards Board.

2.11 (f) There is no cost to the school district, charter school, or licensure applicant for their
2.12 short-call substitute teacher license application or for the background study required under
2.13 paragraph (b). The Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board must report to the
2.14 commissioner of management and budget all expenditures related to processing applications
2.15 and issuing short-call substitute teacher licenses. The commissioner of management and
2.16 budget must reimburse the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board for eligible
2.17 short-call substitute teacher license expenses with funds from the state fiscal recovery federal
2.18 fund. For the purposes of this section, "state fiscal recovery federal fund" means funds
2.19 received by the state from the state fiscal recovery fund in the American Rescue Plan Act,
2.20 Public Law 117-2.

2.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment and
2.22 is applicable for the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years only.

2.23 Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

2.24 (a) \$..... in fiscal year 2023 is appropriated from the state fiscal recovery federal fund
2.25 to the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board for short-call substitute teacher
2.26 emergency license expenses. The base for fiscal year 2024 is \$..... The base for fiscal year
2.27 2025 is \$..... The base for fiscal year 2026 is \$0.

2.28 (b) For the purposes of this section, "state fiscal recovery federal fund" means funds
2.29 received by the state from the state fiscal recovery fund in the American Rescue Plan Act,
2.30 Public Law 117-2. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until December 31, 2026.
2.31 Any funds not obligated by eligible organizations by November 15, 2024, must be returned
2.32 to the commissioner of management and budget.