## 122A.441 SHORT-CALL EMERGENCY SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PROGRAM.

- (a) A school district or charter school and applicant may jointly request the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board approve an application for a short-call emergency substitute teaching license. The application information must sufficiently demonstrate the following:
  - (1) the applicant:
- (i) holds a minimum of an associate's degree or equivalent and has or will receive substitute training from the school district or charter school; or
- (ii) holds a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent and has been employed as an education support personnel or paraprofessional within the district or charter school for at least one academic year; and
- (2) the school district or charter school has obtained the results of a background check completed in accordance with section 123B.03.
- (b) The Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board may issue a temporary teaching license under this section pending a background check under section 122A.18, subdivision 8, and may immediately suspend or revoke the license upon receiving background check information. An applicant submitting an application for a short-call substitute teaching license in accordance with section 122A.18, subdivision 7a, paragraph (a), must not be required to complete a joint application with a district and must not be issued a license pending a background check under section 122A.18, subdivision 8.
- (c) The board may prioritize short-call emergency substitute teaching license applications to expedite the review process.
- (d) A school district or charter school must provide a short-call emergency substitute teacher who receives a short-call emergency substitute teaching license with substitute teacher training. The board may remove a school district or charter school from the short-call emergency substitute teaching program for failure to provide the required training.
- (e) A school district or charter school must not require an employee to apply for a short-call emergency substitute teaching license, or retaliate against an employee that does not apply for a short-call emergency substitute teaching license under this section.
- (f) A school district or charter school must compensate an employee working as a short-call emergency substitute teacher under this section with the greater of the short-call substitute teacher rate of pay in the district or the employee's regular rate of pay.
- (g) A district may employ a short-call emergency substitute teacher for no more than ten consecutive school days in a single assignment. A district solicitation for short-call emergency substitute teacher applicants must disclose the duration of the short-call emergency substitute teacher position.
- (h) For each teacher assignment, a district may use a short-call emergency substitute teacher to fill the assignment for no more than ten consecutive school days at a time.
- (i) A district may employ a short-call emergency substitute teacher to fill an assignment that a short-call emergency substitute teacher previously filled as long as at least 30 calendar days have passed between the last day of the previous assignment and the first day of a subsequent assignment.

**History:** 2023 c 55 art 5 s 52; 1Sp2025 c 10 art 3 s 4