

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 22, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on Education to which was referred HB
1372,**

**AN ACT relative to requirements for teacher
certification. Having considered the same, report the
same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it
is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Rick Ladd

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Education
Bill Number:	HB 1372
Title:	relative to requirements for teacher certification.
Date:	February 22, 2022
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 18-0.

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FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1372

BILL TITLE: relative to requirements for teacher certification.

DATE: February 22, 2022

LOB ROOM: 207

MOTIONS: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

Moved by Rep. Ladd

Seconded by Rep. Moffett

Vote: 18-0

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Melissa Litchfield, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on Bill # 1372

BILL TITLE: relative to requirements for teacher certification

DATE: 2/22/22

LOB ROOM: 207

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. Ladd Seconded by Rep. Muffett Vote: 18-0

MOTION: (Please check one box)

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Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

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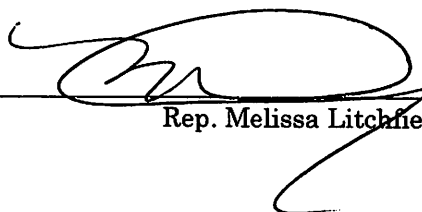
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Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

Minority Report? Yes No If yes, author, Rep: _____ Motion _____

Respectfully submitted:  _____
Rep. Melissa Litchfield, Clerk

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 Report

2022 SESSION

Education

Bill #: 1372 Motion: ITL AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2/22/22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Ladd, Rick M. Chairman <i>last</i>	18		
Cordelli, Glenn Vice Chairman <i>First</i>	1		
Litchfield, Melissa A. Clerk	2		
Boehm, Ralph G. <i>Rep Simon</i>	3		
Lekas, Alicia D.	4		
Moffett, Michael	5		
Hobson, Deborah L.	6		
Ford, Oliver J.			
Soti, Julius F.	7		
Nelson, Bill G.	8		
Myler, Mel-Walz, Mary Beth <i>Second</i>	10		
Luneau, David J. <i>First</i>	9		
Cornell, Patricia	11		
Tanner, Linda L.	12		
Ellison, Arthur S.	13		
Mullen, Sue M.	14		
Woodcock, Stephen L.	15		
Porter, Marjorie <i>Rep Meuse</i>	16		
A. Hall, Muriel C.	17		
TOTAL VOTE:	18	0	

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1372

BILL TITLE: relative to requirements for teacher certification.

DATE: January 19, 2022

LOB ROOM: 207 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 11:30am

Time Adjourned: 12:03pm

Committee Members: Reps. Ladd, Cordelli, Litchfield, Boehm, A. Lekas, Moffett, Hobson, Ford, Soti, B. Nelson, Myler, Luneau, Cornell, Tanner, Ellison, Mullen, Woodcock, Hall and Porter

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. Janigian
Rep. Doucette

Rep. Torosian
Rep. Litchfield

Rep. Cordelli

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. John Janigian

- Prime Sponsor
- Bill adds a requirement that educators applying for certification have completed a class on NH.education administrative department rules.

Rep. Cordelli

- How about statutes?

Rep.Ladd

- Why is it important for teachers to be well versed on topics not relative to curriculum - for example transportation questions from Committee seem to be leading down the road of amendments.
- Prime sponsor does not disagree.

Rep. Porter

- Are you sure that rules are not known by teachers?

Rep. Walz

- How does he envision this happening? If educated out of state, do they put off credentialing for 3 months in order to get this course done?

Rep. Luneau

- What are your thoughts to how the average student in NH is doing as compared to other states? Why the bill?

Steve Applebee,, and Nat Green and many others- DOE

- States have state specific course you must take. You don't want to create a bottleneck, we have interim licensing.
- Looking for new effective date of January 1st.
- Every 3 years educators must have paid to re certify.
- Perhaps in bill have tiers- Teachers vs. Administrators

Rep. Ladd

- Why go through this hurdle, if we are already shy of educators and apelial STS.
- Why do this on a state level?
- Why not at a local level?
- Example - Out of state speech pathologist may already be well XXXXXX in federal DEA. Which dictates what they do.

Rep. Porter

- How do you envision this course? Who teaches? Where do they get textbooks? How assessed?
- Response: Need to dive in further, does this need to be a full course?

Rep. Moffett

- Could this requirement be met by a XXXX on-line assignment class?
- Response: I do not see why not. They would be a XXX association with the assessment.

Rep. Luneau

- Questions Dr. Green -
- Dr. Green stated low performing schools would benefit.
- What did you mean by that?
- Pretty clear - correlation between free and reduced lunches and test scores.
- How would this benefit them?

Rep. Ellison

- Did the dept. request that this bill be filed?
- Response: I don't know

Rep. Ladd

- Wouldn't it be more important to show them where to find the statutes and the rules?

Rep. Lekas

- Do you know that the NH colleges are not doing this already.
- Response: Of the 5 that he spoke to, NO

Megan Tuttle - NEA - NH

- In opposition

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Melissa Litchfield, Clerk

House Remote Testify

Education Committee Testify List for Bill HB1372 on 2022-01-19

Support: 0 Oppose: 3 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
Culliton, Penny	Temple, NH pculliton@comcast.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/11/2022 6:15 PM
Hamer, Gary	Manchester, NH ghamer@mansd.org	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/16/2022 2:23 PM
Frost, Sherry	Dover, NH s.frost@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/19/2022 8:59 AM

Archived: Friday, January 21, 2022 9:05:53 AM
From: Jerry Frew
Sent: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 11:17:39 AM
To: ~House Education Committee
Cc: jerry@nhsaa.org
Subject: HB 1372 Testimony
Importance: Normal

Dear Chairman Ladd and Members of the House Education Committee,

My name is Jerry Frew and I am the Associate Executive Director of the NH School Administrators Association.

I am submitting this testimony in response to the proposed legislation captured in HB 1372 relative to requirements for teacher certification.

NHSAA opposes this legislation and views it as an unnecessary requirement for the certification of teachers.

In a time where teacher shortages are growing, and securing qualified teaching personnel are extremely challenging in many school districts, we see this additional “course” as an unnecessary impediment to the hiring process.

We understand and appreciate the bill sponsors intent of certified personnel understanding their roles and responsibilities, however, we believe that there are other ways through progressional growth and staff development of creating an understanding of those responsibilities in a post-employment environment. Our school systems do in fact on a regular basis conduct training of staff in a variety of state mandated programs. Of recent note are the requirements around Suicide Prevention, Harassment, and bullying.

How would this proposed class on NH Administrative Rules be applied to out of state applicants for teaching positions who are hired during the school year or late in the summer?

How would it apply to currently employed personnel? Is it teachers only, or all educational personnel including administrative and support?

It would be unfortunate for student instruction to be impacted because a highly qualified teacher who was available for employment during the middle of the year, had not taken the Administrative Rules Class- much of which is not applicable to the role of classroom teacher. Student learning and classroom instruction should not be impacted by a certification requirement that is not necessary.

We ask that this committee find HB 1372 as Inexpedient to Legislate.

Thank you for the opportunity of this input.

Respectfully,

Jerry Frew

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HB 1372 - AS INTRODUCED

2022 SESSION

22-2837

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HOUSE BILL **1372**

AN ACT relative to requirements for teacher certification.

SPONSORS: Rep. Janigian, Rock. 8; Rep. Torosian, Rock. 14; Rep. Cordelli, Carr. 4; Rep. Doucette, Rock. 8; Rep. Litchfield, Rock. 11

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill adds a requirement that educators applying for certification have completed a class on New Hampshire department of education administrative rules.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to requirements for teacher certification.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Section; Teachers; Certification Requirements; Administrative Rules. Amend RSA 189
2 by inserting after section 14-h the following new section:

3 189:14-i Teacher Certification Requirements; Administrative Rules. An educator applying for a
4 credential through the bureau of credentialing, department of education, shall successfully complete
5 a class on New Hampshire department of education administrative rules.

6 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.