

SENATE BILL No. 444

June 8, 2017, Introduced by Senators HORN, HANSEN and ZORN and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
by amending section 1233 (MCL 380.1233), as amended by 2016 PA 192.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1233. (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, and
2 subject to section 1233c, the board of a school district or
3 intermediate school board of an intermediate school district shall
4 not permit a teacher who does not hold a valid teaching certificate
5 to teach in a grade or department of the school.

6 (2) The board of a school district or intermediate school
7 board of an intermediate school district shall not allow an
8 individual to serve in a counseling role in the school district or
9 intermediate school district, as the role is defined by the
10 superintendent of public instruction, unless the individual meets 1
11 or more of the following: ~~and the board or intermediate school~~

1 ~~board complies with subsection (7):~~

2 (a) The individual holds a valid teaching certificate with a
3 school counseling endorsement.

4 (b) The individual meets all of the following:

5 (i) Holds a master's degree awarded after completion of an
6 approved school counselor education program that includes at least
7 all of the following skills and content areas or their equivalent:

8 (A) Guidance services--philosophy, principles, and practices.

9 (B) Individual and group analysis--nature and range of human
10 characteristics and appraisal methods.

11 (C) Guidance information--vocational development theory,
12 educational and occupational information.

13 (D) Counseling theory and practice--individual and group
14 procedures, administration and coordination relationships,
15 professional relationships, and ethics.

16 (E) Supervised experiences--laboratory, practicum, or
17 internship.

18 (F) Evaluation--statistics and research methodology, follow-up
19 evaluation, and measurement methods.

20 (ii) Has successfully completed the department's guidance
21 counselor examination.

22 (iii) Has been recommended by an approved school counselor
23 education program to provide services as a school counselor.

24 (c) The individual meets both of the following:

25 (i) Has at least 5 years of successful experience serving in a
26 school counseling role in another state within the immediately
27 preceding 7-year period.

1 (ii) Has successfully completed the department's guidance
2 counselor examination.

3 (3) Except for teachers engaged to teach in a community
4 district under section 1233c, the intermediate superintendent shall
5 notify the superintendent of public instruction immediately of the
6 names of noncertificated teachers teaching in violation of
7 subsection (1) and the names of individuals serving in counseling
8 roles in violation of subsection (2), the employing district, and
9 the amount of time the noncertificated teachers or unqualified
10 individuals were employed.

11 (4) A vocational teacher preparation institution shall utilize
12 the employment experience of an annually authorized teacher for the
13 purpose of waiving student teaching as a requirement for vocational
14 certification if the annually authorized teacher is supervised by
15 the teacher preparation institution.

16 (5) All vocational education teachers certified after June 1,
17 1995 shall pass a competency test.

18 (6) The board of a school district or intermediate school
19 district may employ an individual without a teaching certificate as
20 a substitute teacher if the individual has at least 90 semester
21 hours of college credit from a college or university.

22 ~~—— (7) If the board of a school district or intermediate school~~
23 ~~board of an intermediate school district chooses to employ an~~
24 ~~individual who does not hold a valid teaching certificate to serve~~
25 ~~in a counseling role, as permitted under subsection (2), the school~~
26 ~~board or intermediate school board shall comply with sections 1230~~
27 ~~and 1230a with respect to that individual to the same extent as~~

1 ~~required for employing an individual with a teaching certificate to~~
2 ~~serve as a teacher.~~

3 (7) BEGINNING 2 YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
4 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT
5 RENEW AN INDIVIDUAL'S SCHOOL COUNSELOR CREDENTIAL UNLESS THE
6 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT, WITHIN THE TIME PERIOD SINCE THE
7 INDIVIDUAL'S SCHOOL COUNSELOR CREDENTIAL WAS ISSUED OR LAST
8 RENEWED, WHICHEVER IS MOST RECENT, THE INDIVIDUAL HAS COMPLETED AT
9 LEAST 25 HOURS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT APPROVED BY THE
10 DEPARTMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (9) COVERING COUNSELING ABOUT THE
11 COLLEGE PREPARATION AND SELECTION PROCESS AND AT LEAST 25 HOURS OF
12 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER
13 SUBSECTION (9) COVERING CAREER COUNSELING. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS
14 SUBSECTION, CAREER COUNSELING INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO,
15 EXPLORATION OF THE SKILLED TRADES AS WELL AS OTHER CAREERS AND
16 PATHWAYS THAT LEAD TO INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS AWARDED IN RECOGNITION
17 OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S ATTAINMENT OF MEASURABLE TECHNICAL OR
18 OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT OR ADVANCE
19 WITHIN AN OCCUPATION. THE HOURS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
20 REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ARE A PART OF AND NOT IN ADDITION TO
21 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS UNDER DEPARTMENT RULE.

22 (8) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY COMPLETE THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
23 HOURS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (7) AS PART OF THE
24 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT,
25 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, OR NONPUBLIC
26 SCHOOL UNDER SECTION 1527 IF THE CONTENT AND CURRICULUM OF THE
27 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1527 ARE APPROVED

1 BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (9) .

2 (9) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
3 FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (7) . THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ONLY
4 APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OR COURSE FOR THE
5 PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION (7) IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE
6 CONTENT AND CURRICULUM FOR THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEET
7 STANDARDS THAT ARE DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF TALENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GROUPS
9 REPRESENTING SCHOOL COUNSELORS, COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROFESSIONALS,
10 FINANCIAL AID OFFICERS, EMPLOYERS, AND OTHERS AS DETERMINED
11 APPROPRIATE BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP THESE
12 STANDARDS BY DECEMBER 1, 2017 AND SHALL FACILITATE THE INVOLVEMENT
13 IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STANDARDS OF THE GROUPS REQUIRED UNDER
14 THIS SUBSECTION.

15 (10) THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PROMULGATE
16 OR MODIFY RULES AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SUBSECTIONS (7) TO (9) .

17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
18 after the date it is enacted into law.