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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: March 09, 2015

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Require approved teacher education programs to have minimum entry requirement of a grade-point average of not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or a grade-point average in the top fiftieth percentile for coursework completed during the most recent two years of the applicant's education.

Require approved teacher education programs to have minimum entry requirement of demonstrated mastery of general knowledge as determined by the State Board of Education on a standardized test.

Provide the Board of Education rulemaking and regulatory authority to carry out the requirements of the legislation.

Principal Introducer:	

Senator Tanya Cook