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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1022**

FINAL READING  
(SECOND)

Introduced by Murman, 38; Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; Juarez, 5; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Meyer, G., 17; Storer, 43.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-808, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide an exception for
- 3 applications for a Nebraska substitute teacher's certificate to the
- 4 requirement for human relations training; and to repeal the original
- 5 section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           **Section 1.** Section 79-808, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
2 amended to read:

3           79-808 (1) The board shall establish, adopt, and promulgate  
4 appropriate rules, regulations, and procedures governing the issuance,  
5 renewal, conversion, suspension, and revocation of certificates and  
6 permits to teach, provide special services, and administer based upon (a)  
7 earned college credit in humanities, social and natural sciences,  
8 mathematics, or career and technical education, (b) earned college  
9 credit, or its equivalent in professional education, for particular  
10 teaching, special services, or administrative assignments, (c) criminal  
11 history record information if the applicant has not been a continuous  
12 Nebraska resident for five years immediately preceding application for  
13 the first issuance of a certificate, (d) human relations training, except  
14 as provided in subdivision (2)(b) of this section for an applicant for a  
15 Nebraska substitute teacher's certificate or as provided in section  
16 79-813 for a military spouse or an applicant who holds a certificate or  
17 permit from another state, (e) successful teaching, administration, or  
18 provision of special services, and (f) moral, mental, and physical  
19 fitness for teaching, all in accordance with sound educational practices.  
20 Such rules, regulations, and procedures shall also provide for  
21 endorsement requirements to indicate areas of specialization on such  
22 certificates and permits. Such rules and regulations shall not require  
23 any test of basic skills.

24           (2)(a) (2) The board may issue a temporary certificate, valid for a  
25 period not to exceed two years, to any applicant for certification who  
26 has not completed the human relations training requirement.

27           (b) An applicant for a Nebraska substitute teacher's certificate  
28 shall not be required to meet the human relations training requirement  
29 under this section to obtain such certificate.

30           (3) Members of any advisory committee established by the board to  
31 assist the board in teacher education and certification matters shall be

1 reimbursed for expenses as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177. Each  
2 school district which has an employee who serves as a member of such  
3 committee and which is required to hire a person to replace such member  
4 during the member's attendance at meetings or activities of the committee  
5 or any subcommittee thereof shall be reimbursed from the Certification  
6 Fund for the expense it incurs from hiring a replacement. School  
7 districts may excuse employees who serve on such advisory committees from  
8 certain duties which conflict with any advisory committee duties.

9       **Sec. 2.** Original section 79-808, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
10 Nebraska, is repealed.