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S.B. No. 1590

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to rules by the State Board for Educator Certification
3 regarding virtual observation options for field-based experiences
4 and internships required for educator certification.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 21.051(f), Education Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (f) The board shall propose rules providing flexible
9 options for persons for any field-based experience or internship
10 required for certification, including options for candidate
11 observations to occur in virtual settings that are equivalent in
12 rigor to in-person options for observation.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.