

1-1 By: Bettencourt S.B. No. 1590  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2021; March 24, 2021, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 23, 2021,  
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 2;  
 1-5 April 23, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Hall	X			
1-11 Hughes	X			
1-12 Menéndez		X		
1-13 Paxton	X			
1-14 Perry	X			
1-15 Powell		X		
1-16 Schwertner	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to rules by the State Board for Educator Certification  
 1-22 regarding virtual observation options for field-based experiences  
 1-23 and internships required for educator certification.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 21.051(f), Education Code, is amended to  
 1-26 read as follows:

1-27 (f) The board shall propose rules providing flexible  
 1-28 options for persons for any field-based experience or internship  
 1-29 required for certification, including options for candidate  
 1-30 observations to occur in virtual settings that are equivalent in  
 1-31 rigor to in-person options for observation.

1-32 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-33 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-34 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-35 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-36 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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