

1-1 By: Middleton S.B. No. 798
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 9, 2023; March 1, 2023, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; March 30, 2023,
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 2;
 1-5 March 30, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the certification requirements for a public school
 1-24 counselor.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Education Code, is
 1-27 amended by adding Section 21.0462 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 21.0462. QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION AS SCHOOL
 1-29 COUNSELOR. The qualifications for certification as a school
 1-30 counselor may not include a requirement that a candidate for
 1-31 certification have experience as a classroom teacher.

1-32 SECTION 2. As soon as possible after the effective date of
 1-33 this Act but not later than January 1, 2024, the State Board for
 1-34 Educator Certification shall propose any rules necessary to
 1-35 implement Section 21.0462, Education Code, as added by this Act.

1-36 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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