By: Grusendorf H.B. No. 558

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 558:

By: Madden C.S.H.B. No. 558

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to rehiring experienced teachers under probationary

3 contracts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 21.102(a), Education Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

- 7 (a) A person who is employed as a teacher by a school
- 8 district for the first time, or who has not been employed by the
- 9 district for two consecutive school years subsequent to August 28,
- 10 1967, shall be employed under a probationary contract. A person who
- 11 previously was employed as a teacher by a district and, after at
- 12 least a two-year lapse in district employment returns to district
- employment, may be employed under a probationary contract.
- SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2003-2004
- 15 school year.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 20 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.