

1-1 By: Grusendorf (Senate Sponsor - Shapiro) H.B. No. 558
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 14, 2003;
1-3 April 15, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Education; May 19, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to rehiring experienced teachers under probationary
1-9 contracts.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 21.102(a), Education Code, is amended to
1-12 read as follows:

1-13 (a) A person who is employed as a teacher by a school
1-14 district for the first time, or who has not been employed by the
1-15 district for two consecutive school years subsequent to August 28,
1-16 1967, shall be employed under a probationary contract. A person who
1-17 previously was employed as a teacher by a district and, after at
1-18 least a two-year lapse in district employment returns to district
1-19 employment, may be employed under a probationary contract.

1-20 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2003-2004
1-21 school year.

1-22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-25 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-26 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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