

Amend CSSB 8 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.0491 to read as follows:

Sec.21.0491. EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHER WITH ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION. (a) Before a school district may employ as a classroom teacher a person who is certified only under Section 21.049, the person must complete at least 15 hours of field experience in which the person is actively engaged in instructional or educational activities in the classroom.