

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1334
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Public Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, a school district employee's probationary, continuing, or term contract is void if the employee does not fulfill the requirements necessary to extend the employee's temporary or emergency certificate or permit issued by the State Board for Educator Certification. Even when an employee has taken the necessary steps to obtain such an extension, if there is a delay in processing, the employee's contract can still be terminated.

H.B. 1334 provides a remedy by establishing that a certificate or permit is not considered to have expired if the employee has completed the requirements for renewal and the date the certificate or permit would have expired is before the date the board takes action to approve the renewal of the certificate or permit.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 1334 amends the Education Code to establish that, for purposes of provisions relating to the voiding of a school district employee contract for failure to obtain certification from the State Board for Educator Certification, a certificate or permit issued by the board is not considered to have expired if the employee holding the certificate has completed the requirements for renewal of the certificate or permit and the date the certificate or permit would have expired is before the date the board takes action to approve the renewal of the certificate or permit.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2011.