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H.B. No. 647

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to employment by open-enrollment charter schools of
3 certain persons as teachers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 12.120, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

7 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), an open-enrollment
8 charter school may employ a person as a teacher if:

9 (1) a school district could employ the person as a
10 classroom teacher; or

11 (2) a school district could employ the person as a
12 classroom teacher if the person held the appropriate certificate
13 issued under Subchapter B, Chapter 21, and the person has never held
14 a teaching certificate issued under Subchapter B, Chapter 21.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.