

By: Capriglione

H.B. No. 1300

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1300:

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C.S.H.B. No. 1300

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to eligibility requirements for admission of certain
3 persons to educator preparation programs.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 21.0441(b), Education Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (b) The board's rules must permit an educator preparation
8 program to admit in extraordinary circumstances a person who fails
9 to satisfy a grade point average requirement prescribed by
10 Subsection (a)(1)(A) or (B), provided that:

11 (1) not more than 10 percent of the total number of
12 persons admitted to the program in a year fail to satisfy the
13 requirement under Subsection (a)(1)(A) or (B);

14 (2) each person admitted as described by this
15 subsection performs, before admission, at a satisfactory level on
16 an appropriate subject matter examination for each subject in which
17 the person seeks certification; and

18 (3) [~~(2)~~] for each person admitted as described by
19 this subsection, the director of the program determines and
20 certifies, based on documentation provided by the person, that the
21 person's work, business, or career experience demonstrates
22 achievement comparable to the academic achievement represented by
23 the grade point average requirement.

24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.