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H.B. No. 157

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to eligibility for admission to an educator preparation
3 program for certification in trade and industrial workforce
4 training.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 21.0442(b), Education Code, as added by
7 H.B. 3349, Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 (b) A person is eligible for admission to an educator
10 preparation program created under this section only if the person:

11 (1) has been issued a high school diploma, a high
12 school equivalency certificate, or a postsecondary credential,
13 certificate, or degree;

14 (2) has seven years of full-time wage-earning
15 experience, including experience obtained while serving in the
16 United States armed services, within the preceding 10 years in an
17 approved occupation for which instruction is offered;

18 (3) holds with respect to that occupation a current
19 license, certificate, or registration, as applicable, issued by a
20 nationally recognized accrediting agency based on a recognized test
21 or measurement; and

22 (4) within the period described by Subdivision (2),
23 has not been the subject of a complaint filed with a licensing
24 entity or other agency that regulates the occupation of the person,

1 other than a complaint that was determined baseless or unfounded by
2 that entity or agency.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
7 Act takes effect December 1, 2017.