S.B. No. 544

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a temporary teaching certificate to and requirements regarding educator certification for certain persons with experience as instructors for the Community College of the Air Force.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.0525 to read as follows:

Sec. 21.0525.  CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN MILITARY INSTRUCTORS; TEMPORARY TEACHING CERTIFICATE. (a) The board shall propose rules providing for a person who holds a bachelor's degree and has at least two semesters' experience as a full-time instructor for the Community College of the Air Force to:

(1)  be issued a temporary teaching certificate on the person's enrollment in an educator preparation program; and

(2)  receive credit for the person's education, training, and clinical or professional experience as an instructor for the Community College of the Air Force toward the requirements for completion of an educator preparation program, including requirements regarding coursework, field-based experience, or clinical experience.

(b)  A temporary teaching certificate issued under this section is valid for a term of one year from the date of issuance.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 544 passed the Senate on April 20, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 26, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 544 passed the House, with amendment, on May 24, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 5, one present not voting.

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Approved:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_             Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_           Governor