

TEACHER LEADER ROLE

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ann Millner

House Sponsor: V. Lowry Snow

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill enacts provisions related to teacher leaders.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates the role of a teacher leader; and
- ▶ enacts provisions related to the role of a teacher leader.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

53A-6-114, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **53A-6-114** is enacted to read:

53A-6-114. Teacher leaders.

(1) As used in this section, "teacher" means an educator who has an assignment to teach in a classroom.



- 28 (2) There is created the role of a teacher leader to:
29 (a) work with a student teacher and a teacher who supervises a student teacher;
30 (b) assist with the training of a recently hired teacher; and
31 (c) support school-based professional learning.
32 (3) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
33 board:
34 (a) shall make rules that:
35 (i) define the role of a teacher leader, including the functions described in Subsection
36 (2); and
37 (ii) establish the minimum criteria for a teacher to qualify as a teacher leader; and
38 (b) may make rules that create an endorsement for a teacher leader.
39 (4) A teacher leader may not evaluate, under Chapter 8, Part 4, Educator Evaluations, a
40 teacher whom the teacher leader is currently assisting in training.
41 (5) (a) The board shall solicit recommendations from school districts regarding:
42 (i) appropriate resources to provide a teacher leader; and
43 (ii) appropriate ways to compensate a teacher leader.
44 (b) The board shall report the board's findings and recommendations described in
45 Subsection (5)(a) to the Education Interim Committee on or before the committee's November
46 2016 interim meeting.

Legislative Review Note
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