

119 consultation with administrators and staff ~~H~~→ **directly** ←~~H~~ responsible for hiring licensed
 119a educators at an LEA
 120 or regional education service agency as defined in Section 53G-4-410, shall develop a strategy
 121 for modifying traditional and alternative programs for training teachers.

122 (b) The strategy described in Subsection (1)(a) shall include consideration of:

123 (i) competency-based approaches;

124 (ii) experiential learning, including apprenticeships; and

125 (iii) degree-agnostic qualifications.

126 (2) (a) Subject to having an agreement between at least one institution of higher
 127 education and the state board, the state board shall modify requirements for traditional and
 128 alternative training program licenses to accommodate the strategy described in Subsection (1).

129 (b) The changes described in Subsection (2)(a) may include the modification of
 130 requirements necessary for:

131 (i) a license based on an associates degree;

132 (ii) competency-based training programs;

133 (iii) accommodations for non-traditional students;

134 (iv) credit for competency obtained through prior learning or experience; or

135 (v) other options that would accommodate the strategy described in Subsection (1).

136 Section 4. Section **53E-6-301** is amended to read:

137 **53E-6-301. Qualifications of applicants for licenses -- Changes in qualifications.**

138 (1) As used in this section:

139 (a) "Literacy preparation assessment" means an examination that evaluates an
 140 individual's knowledge of the science of reading, related to literacy instruction for an individual
 141 who teaches preschool, elementary school, or special education.

142 (b) "Required literacy preparation assessment" means a literacy preparation assessment
 143 that the state board uses to determine the qualifications of license applicants.

144 (2) The state board shall establish by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter
 145 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the scholarship, competencies, training, and
 146 experience required of license applicants.

147 (3) (a) The state board shall announce any increase in the requirements when made.

148 (b) An increase in requirements shall become effective not less than one year from the
 149 date of the announcement.