

**BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVAL AMENDMENTS**

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Howard A. Stephenson**

House Sponsor: David E. Lifferth

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions related to teacher preparation programs.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ directs the State Board of Education to designate an employee to engage in monitoring and other conduct related to teacher preparation programs;
  - ▶ directs the State Board of Education to consider recommendations and make rules;
- and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**53A-6-107**, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 1999, Chapter 108

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

Section 1. Section **53A-6-107** is amended to read:

**53A-6-107. Program approval.**

(1) ~~[The]~~ In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the board shall make rules that establish ~~[by rule the]~~ standards ~~[which must be met by~~



30 ~~approved~~ for approval of a preparation [programs and] program or an alternative preparation  
 31 [programs] program.

32 (2) ~~[Standards]~~ The board shall ensure that standards adopted [by the board for  
 33 ~~approved preparation programs and alternative preparation programs shall]~~ under Subsection  
 34 (1) meet or exceed generally recognized national standards for preparation of educators, such  
 35 as those developed by the:

36 (a) Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium[~~the~~];

37 (b) National Board for Professional Teaching Standards[~~and the~~]; or

38 (c) ~~Š~~ → [National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education] Council for the  
 38a Accreditation of Educator Preparation ← ~~Š~~ .

39 (3) The board shall designate an employee of the board's staff to:

40 (a) engage in on-site monitoring of teacher preparation programs that may include:

41 (i) monitoring courses for teacher preparation programs;

42 (ii) working with course instructors for teacher preparation programs; and

43 (iii) interviewing students admitted to teacher preparation programs;

44 (b) act as a liaison between:

45 (i) the board;

46 (ii) local school boards or charter school governing boards; and

47 (iii) representatives of teacher preparation programs; and

48 (c) report to the board the employee's findings and recommendations for the

49 improvement of teacher preparation programs.

50 (4) The board shall:

51 (a) in good faith, consider the findings and recommendations described in Subsection

52 (3)(c); and

53 (b) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,

54 make rules, as the board determines is necessary, to implement recommendations described in

55 Subsection (3)(c).

### Legislative Review Note

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