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AB-2345 Short-term staff permits: provisional intern permits: teaching permits for statutory leave: designated subjects career technical education teaching credentials: cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification. (2023-2024)

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Assembly Bill No. 2345

CHAPTER 65

An act to amend Sections 44260 and 44260.1 of, and to add Section 44841 to, the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2345, Jim Patterson. Short-term staff permits: provisional intern permits: teaching permits for statutory leave: designated subjects career technical education teaching credentials: cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification.

(1) Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to, among other things, establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits, as specified. Existing law imposes minimum requirements for a preliminary multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential, including satisfactory completion of an accredited program of professional preparation that, among other things, provides experience that addresses health education, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Existing law requires that training in CPR to meet the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.

Existing law specifies minimum requirements for the 3-year preliminary designated subjects career technical education teaching credential and the 5-year clear designated subjects career technical education teaching credential.

This bill would, commencing July 1, 2025, add certification in CPR that meets the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross to the minimum requirements for the 3-year preliminary designated subjects career technical education teaching credential and the 5-year clear designated subjects career technical education teaching credential, as specified.

(2) Existing law authorizes the commission to issue or renew emergency teaching or specialist permits in accordance with regulations adopted by the commission for the corresponding credential type, including, among others, basic teaching credentials and credentials for teaching specialties, as provided.

Existing law requires the governing board of a school district, for positions requiring certification qualifications, to employ only those persons who possess the qualifications for those positions prescribed by law. Existing law requires teachers in charter schools to hold the commission certificate, permit, or other document required for the teacher's certificated assignment.

This bill would, commencing July 1, 2025, prohibit a school district, county office of education, charter school, or state special school from hiring any person for purposes of a short-term staff permit, provisional internship permit, or a teaching permit for

statutory leave unless that person has a certification in CPR that meets the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 44260 of the Education Code is amended to read:

44260. The minimum requirements for the three-year preliminary designated subjects career technical education teaching credential shall be all of the following:

- (a) Three years or the equivalent of adequate, successful, and recent experience in, or experience and education in, the subject named on the credential.
- (b) Possession of a high school diploma or the passage of an equivalency examination as designated by the commission.
- (c) Satisfaction of the requirements for teacher fitness pursuant to Sections 44339, 44340, and 44341.
- (d) Commencing July 1, 2025, certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) that meets the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
- (e) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the holder of a credential described in this section shall satisfy the minimum experience requirements established by the local educational agency for each course the credentialholder is assigned to teach.

SEC. 2. Section 44260.1 of the Education Code is amended to read:

44260.1. The minimum requirements for the five-year clear designated subjects career technical education teaching credential shall be all of the following:

- (a) A valid three-year preliminary designated subjects career technical education teaching credential.
- (b) Two years of successful teaching, or the equivalent, as authorized by the preliminary designated subjects career technical education teaching credential.
- (c) Completion of a program of personalized preparation as approved by the commission. It is the intent of the Legislature that the program of personalized preparation be consistent with whether the credentialholder performs full- or part-time service.
- (d) The study of health education, as specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 44259.
- (e) Completion of two semester units or passage of an examination on the principles and provisions of the United States Constitution, as specified in Section 44335.
- (f) The study of computer-based technology, including the uses of technology in educational settings.
- (g) Commencing July 1, 2025, certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) that meets the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross unless the applicant has already demonstrated their certification in CPR pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 44260.
- (h) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the holder of a credential described in this section shall satisfy the minimum experience requirements established by the local educational agency for each course the credentialholder is assigned to teach.

SEC. 3. Section 44841 is added to the Education Code, to read:

44841. Commencing July 1, 2025, a school district, county office of education, charter school, or state special school shall not hire any person for purposes of a short-term staff permit, provisional internship permit, or a teaching permit for statutory leave, as described in Sections 80021, 80021.1, and 80022, respectively, of Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Division 8 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, unless that person has a certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) that meets the standards established by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.