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AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL; REQUIRING A COURSE IN CLASSROOM  
MANAGEMENT FOR ALTERNATIVE LICENSURE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 22-10A-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,  
Chapter 153, Section 39, as amended by Laws 2011, Chapter 36,  
Section 1 and by Laws 2011, Chapter 95, Section 2) is amended  
to read:

"22-10A-8. ALTERNATIVE LEVEL ONE LICENSE.--

A. The department shall issue an alternative level  
one license to a person who is at least eighteen years of age  
and who:

(1) has completed a baccalaureate degree at an  
accredited institution of higher education and has received a  
passing score on a state-approved subject-area examination in

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1 the subject area of instruction for which the person is  
2 applying for a license; or

3 (2) has completed a master's degree at an  
4 accredited institution of higher education, including  
5 completion of a minimum of twelve graduate credit hours in the  
6 subject area of instruction for which the person is applying  
7 for a license; or

8 (3) has completed a doctoral or law degree at  
9 an accredited institution of higher education; and

10 (4) has passed the New Mexico teacher  
11 assessments examination, including for elementary licensure  
12 beginning January 1, 2013, a rigorous assessment of the  
13 candidate's knowledge of the science of teaching reading; and

14 (5) has successfully completed a classroom  
15 management course approved by the department; and

16 [~~(5)~~] (6) within two years of beginning  
17 teaching, completes a minimum of twelve semester hours of  
18 instruction in teaching principles in a program approved by the  
19 department; or

20 [~~(6) demonstrated~~] (7) demonstrates to the  
21 department, in conjunction with the school district or state  
22 agency, that the person has met the department-approved  
23 competencies for level one teachers that correspond to the  
24 grade level that will be taught.

25 B. A degree or examination referred to in

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1 Subsection A of this section shall correspond to the subject  
2 area of instruction and the particular grade level that will  
3 enable the applicant to teach in a competent manner as  
4 determined by the department.

5 C. An alternative level one teacher shall  
6 participate in the same mentorship, evaluation and other  
7 professional development requirements as other level one  
8 teachers.

9 D. A school district or state agency shall not  
10 discriminate against a teacher on the basis that the teacher  
11 holds an alternative level one license.

12 E. The department shall provide by rule for  
13 training and other requirements to support the use of  
14 unlicensed content area experts as resources in classrooms,  
15 team teaching, [~~on-line~~] online instruction, curriculum  
16 development and other purposes."

17 SECTION 2. Section 22-10A-11.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws  
18 2007, Chapter 146, Section 1) is amended to read:

19 "22-10A-11.1. ALTERNATIVE LEVEL TWO OR LEVEL THREE  
20 LICENSE.--

21 A. At the end of an internship of at least one full  
22 school year, the department may issue an alternative level two  
23 license to a person who:

24 (1) is at least eighteen years of age; [~~and~~  
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1                   (2) has a post-baccalaureate degree and at  
2 least five years' experience teaching at the post-secondary  
3 level if the person demonstrates to the department, in  
4 conjunction with the school district, charter school, private  
5 school or state agency, that the person has met other  
6 department-approved competencies for issuance of a level two  
7 license that correspond to the grade level and subject area  
8 that the person will teach; and

9                   (3) has successfully completed a classroom  
10 management course approved by the department.

11                   B. At the end of an internship of at least one full  
12 school year, the department may issue an alternative level  
13 three-A or level three-B license to a person who is at least  
14 eighteen years of age and who has a post-baccalaureate degree  
15 and at least six years' experience teaching or administering at  
16 the post-secondary level if the person demonstrates to the  
17 department, in conjunction with the school district, charter  
18 school, private school or state agency, that the person has met  
19 other department-approved competencies for issuance of a level  
20 three-A license that correspond to the grade level and subject  
21 area that the person will teach or for issuance of a level  
22 three-B license for administration. In addition to other  
23 requirements for an alternative level two or three-A license,  
24 the department shall require the candidate to have successfully  
25 completed a classroom management course approved by the

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