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Representatives Bird, Jones

Cosponsors: Representatives Hillyer, Davis, John, LaRe, Abrams, Click, Seitz,
Johnson, Creech, Stewart, Pavliga, White

A BILL

To amend section 3319.226 of the Revised Code 1
regarding educator licenses for substitute 2
teachers, to establish a study committee on the 3
substitute teacher shortage, and to make an 4
appropriation. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3319.226 of the Revised Code be 6
amended to read as follows: 7

Sec. 3319.226. (A) Beginning July 1, 2019, the state board 8
of education shall issue educator licenses for substitute 9
teaching only under this section. 10

(B) The state board shall adopt rules establishing 11
standards and requirements for obtaining a license under this 12
section and for renewal of the license. Except as provided in 13
division (D) of this section or in division (F) of section 14
3319.229 of the Revised Code, the rules shall require an 15
applicant to hold at least a post-secondary bachelor's degree, 16
but not in any specified subject area. The rules also shall 17

allow the holder of a license issued under this section to work: 18

(1) For an unlimited number of school days if the license 19
holder has at least a ~~post-secondary bachelor's~~ degree in either 20
education or a subject area directly related to the subject of 21
the class the license holder will teach; 22

(2) For one full semester, subject to the approval of the 23
employing school district board of education, if the license 24
holder has at least a ~~post-secondary bachelor's~~ degree in a 25
subject area that is not directly related to the subject of the 26
class that the license holder will teach. 27

The district superintendent may request that the board 28
approve one or more additional subsequent semester-long periods 29
of teaching for the license holder of a license issued under 30
division (B) (1) of this section. 31

(C) The rules adopted under division (B) of this section 32
shall permit a substitute career-technical teaching license 33
holder to teach outside the license holder's certified career 34
field for up to one semester, subject to approval of the 35
employing school district superintendent. 36

(D) Division (D) of this section does not apply on or 37
after June 30, 2024. 38

A school governing body may employ an individual who does 39
not hold at least a bachelor's degree as a substitute teacher, 40
provided that the individual meets the following requirements: 41

(1) The individual meets the district's or school's own 42
set of educational requirements. 43

(2) The individual is deemed to be of good moral 44
character. 45

(3) The individual successfully completes a criminal records check as prescribed in section 3319.39 of the Revised Code. 46
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The state board shall issue a nonrenewable one-year temporary substitute teaching license to an individual who does not hold at least a bachelor's degree but meets the requirements prescribed in division (D) of this section. 49
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A license issued under division (D) of this section shall permit an individual to be employed as a substitute teacher for not more than one full school year. Such employment for each subsequent school year requires the issuance of a new license. 53
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(E) Any license issued or renewed under former section 3319.226 of the Revised Code that was still in force on November 2, 2018, shall remain in force for the remainder of the term for which it was issued or renewed. Upon the expiration of that term, the holder of that license shall be subject to licensure under the rules adopted under this section. 57
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Section 2. That existing section 3319.226 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed. 63
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Section 3. All items in this act are hereby appropriated as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year 2022 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2023. The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to any other operating appropriations made for the FY 2022-FY 2023 biennium. 65
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A	EDU DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION				
B	Federal Fund Group				
C	3L60	200617	Federal School Lunch	\$338,000,000	\$0
D	TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group			\$338,000,000	\$0
E	TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS			\$338,000,000	\$0

Section 4. Within the limits set forth in this act, the Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation made in this act, and shall determine the form and manner in which appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from operating appropriations contained in this act shall be accounted for as though made in H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly. The operating appropriations made in this act are subject to all provisions of H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly that are generally applicable to such appropriations.

Section 5. The chairperson and ranking member of the committee of the Senate that primarily deals with primary and secondary education and the chairperson and ranking member of the committee of the House of Representatives that primarily deals with primary and secondary education jointly shall convene a study committee to address the shortage of substitute teachers and examine the temporary substitute licensing provision prescribed in Section 3 of H.B. 409 of the 133rd General Assembly and Section 4 of S.B. 1 of the 134th General Assembly.

The chairpersons, or their designees, and the ranking members, or their designees, shall determine the membership of

the study committee. The study committee shall consider 95
addressing the causes of the shortage and how to alleviate that 96
shortage with more permanent solutions. 97

The study committee shall produce a report and present it 98
to the House and Senate committees that primarily deal with 99
primary and secondary education not later than October 30, 2022. 100