HOUSE BILL No. 2979

By Select Committee on School Finance

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9 AN ACT concerning teachers; relating to licensure; amending K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 72-1388 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 72-1388 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-1388. (a) The state board of education, in accordance with law, is authorized to adopt rules and regulations providing for the issuance, renewal, reinstatement and registration of licenses for teachers and other personnel in the state department of education and in schools and institutions under the general supervision of the state board of education.

- (b) In addition to *any* other requirements and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-1396, and amendments thereto, the rules and regulations of the state board of education shall include after May 1, 1986, the requirement that applicants for initial issuance of licenses to teach shall take and satisfactorily pass an examination prescribed by the state board.
- (c) In addition to any other requirements and subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 72-1396, and amendments thereto, the rules and regulations of the state board of education shall include a requirement that:
- (1) Applicants for initial issuance of licenses to teach shall have completed at least two credit hours in bilingual/multi-cultural education, English as a second language or English for speakers of other languages; and
- (2) applicants for renewal of licenses who do not have previous credit in the area of bilingual/multi-cultural education, English as a second language or English for speakers of other languages shall have completed a two-hour survey course or other courses with equivalent content in such areas.
- (c) The privilege to teach at any level or in any field or subject, if such privilege is or has been granted when a license is issued, may not be withheld during the term for which the license is issued except as provided in K.S.A. 72-1383 or 72-5412, and amendments to such sections.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2005 Supp. 72-1388 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.