

## House Concurrent Resolution No. 5044

By Committee on Education

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9 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION relating to teacher training regarding  
10 ESOL and culturally responsive pedagogy.

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12 WHEREAS, The state board of education has required since 2003 that  
13 teacher education programs provide training in English for speakers of  
14 other languages (ESOL) and culturally responsive pedagogy (techniques  
15 for teaching to persons of other cultures) for teaching these diverse  
16 students;

17 WHEREAS, Teachers completing their degree prior to 2003 may not  
18 have received such training;

19 WHEREAS, ESOL and culturally responsive pedagogy for teachers  
20 have proven beneficial in the education of limited English speaking  
21 students;

22 WHEREAS, The number of ESOL students has grown from 18,672  
23 students in 1999-2000 to 30,351 students in 2005-2006: Now, Therefore,

24 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*  
25 *the Senate concurring therein:* That when school districts have limited  
26 English speaking students and the school district has teachers who have  
27 not received ESOL or culturally responsive pedagogy, the state board of  
28 education is requested to provide assistance to such school districts in  
29 providing ESOL and culturally responsive pedagogy for teachers and  
30 staff.

31 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of Repre-  
32 sentatives provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to each member of  
33 the state board of education.