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SENATE BILL No. 492

By Committee on Education

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12 AN ACT concerning teachers; relating to the issuance of teachers' li-13 censes; amending K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-1397 and repealing the exist-14 ing section. 15 16 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-1397 is hereby amended to read as 17 18 follows: 72-1397. (a) (1) Except as provided by paragraph (2), the state 19 board of education shall not knowingly issue a license to or renew the 20 license of any person who has been convicted of any offense or, attempt 21 or conspiracy to commit any offense specified in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 22 21-4619 and amendments thereto, or has been convicted in another state 23 or by the federal government of an act similar to any act described in this 24 subsection. 25 (2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply 26 to an offense described in clause (18), (20) or (21) of subsection (c) of 27 K.S.A. 21-4619, and amendments thereto. 28 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), the state board of education 29 shall not knowingly issue a license to or renew the license of any person 30 who: 31 Has been convicted of a felony under the uniform controlled sub-32 stances act; (2) has been convicted of a felony described in any section of 33 article 34 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an 34 act specified in subsection (a) or an act described in K.S.A. 21-3412 or 35 K.S.A. 21-3412a, and amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or 36 student; (3) has been convicted of a felony described in any section of 37 article 35 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an 38 act specified in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 21-4619 and amendments thereto, 39 (a) or has been convicted of an act described in K.S.A. 21-3517, and 40 amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or student; (4) has been

eonvieted of any act described in any section of article 36 of chapter 21

of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsec-

tion (c) of K.S.A. 21-4619 and amendments thereto (a); (5) has been

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convicted of a felony described in article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated; (6) has been convicted of a violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 or 8-2,144, and amendments thereto, punishable as a felony; (7) has been convicted of an attempt under K.S.A. 21-3301, and amendments thereto, or a conspiracy under K.S.A. 21-3302, and amendments thereto, to commit any act specified in this subsection; (7) (8) has been convicted of any act which is described in K.S.A. 21-4301, 21-4301a or 21-4301e, and amendments thereto; (8) (9) has been convicted in another state or by the federal government of an aet similar to any act described in this subsection; or (9) (10) has entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with any offense described in this subsection.

(e) The state board of education may issue a license to or renew the license of a person who has been convicted of committing an offense or act described in subsection (b) or who has entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with an offense or act described in subsection (b) if the state board determines, following a hearing, that the person has been rehabilitated for a period of at least five years from the date of conviction of the offense or commission of the act or, in the case of a person who has entered into a criminal diversion agreement, that the person has satisfied the terms and conditions of the agreement. The state board of education may consider factors including, but not limited to, the following in determining whether to grant a certificate license:

- (1) The nature and seriousness of the offense or aet; 24
- 25 (2) the conduct of the person subsequent to commission of the of-26 fense or act;
- 27 the time elapsed since the commission of the offense or act;
- the age of the person at the time of the offense or act;
- 29 whether the offense or act was an isolated or recurring incident; 30 and
- 31 discharge from probation, pardon or expungement.
- 32 Before any license is denied by the state board of education for 33 any of the offenses or acts specified in subsections (a) and (b), the person shall be given notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.
 - (e) The county or district attorney shall file a report with the state board of education indicating the name, address and social security number of any person who has been determined to have committed any offense or act specified in subsection (a) or (b) or to have entered into a eriminal diversion agreement after having been charged with any offense or act specified in subsection (b). Such report shall be filed within 30 days of the date of the determination that the person has committed any such act or entered into any such diversion agreement.

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- 1 (f) The state board of education shall not be liable for civil damages
 2 to any person refused issuance or renewal of a license by reason of the
 3 state board's compliance, in good faith, with the provisions of this section.
 - Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-1397 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-1397. (a) The state board of education shall not knowingly issue a license to or renew the license of any person who has been convicted of any offense or attempt to commit any offense specified in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 21-4619 and amendments thereto.:
 - (1) Rape, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3502, and amendments thereto;
- 10 (2) indecent liberties with a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3503, and 11 amendments thereto;
- 12 (3) aggravated indecent liberties with a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-13 3504, and amendments thereto;
- 14 (4) criminal sodomy, as defined in subsection (a)(2) or (a)(3) of K.S.A. 15 21-3505, and amendments thereto;
- 16 (5) aggravated criminal sodomy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3506, and 17 amendments thereto;
- 18 (6) indecent solicitation of a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3510, and 19 amendments thereto;
 - (7) aggravated indecent solicitation of a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3511, and amendments thereto;
- 22 (8) sexual exploitation of a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3516, and 23 amendments thereto;
- 24 (9) aggravated incest, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3603, and amendments thereto;
 - (10) [aggravated] endangering a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3608 [21-3608a], and amendments thereto;
- 28 (11) abuse of a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3609, and amendments 29 thereto;
- 30 (12) capital murder, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3439, and amendments 31 thereto;
 - (13) murder in the first degree, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3401, and amendments thereto;
 - (14) murder in the second degree, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3402, and amendments thereto;
- 36 (15) voluntary manslaughter, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3403, and 37 amendments thereto;
- 38 (16) involuntary manslaughter, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3404, and 39 amendments thereto;
 - (17) involuntary manslaughter while driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3442, and amendments thereto;
- 42 (18) sexual battery, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3517, and amendments 43 thereto, when [, at the time the crime was committed,] the victim was

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less than 18 years of age at the time the crime was committed [or a student of the person committing such crime];

- (19) aggravated sexual battery, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3518, and amendments thereto;
- (20) attempt under K.S.A. 21-3301, and amendments thereto, to commit any act specified in this subsection;
- 7 (21) conspiracy under K.S.A. 21-3302, and amendments thereto, to 8 commit any act specified in this subsection; 9 (22) an act in another state or by the federal government that is com-
 - (22) an act in another state or by the federal government that is comparable to any act described in this subsection; or
 - (23) an offense in effect at any time prior to the effective date of this act that is comparable to an offense as provided in this subsection.
 - (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), the state board of education shall not knowingly issue a license to or renew the license of any person who has been convicted of, or has entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with:
 - (1) Has been convicted of a felony under the uniform controlled substances act; (2) has been convicted of a felony described in any section of article 34 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated or an act described in K.S.A. 21-3412 or K.S.A. 21-3412a, and amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or student; (3) has been convicted of a felony described in any section of article 35 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 21-4619 and amendments thereto, or has been convicted of an act described in K.S.A. 21-3517 and amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or student; (4) has been convicted of any act described in any section of article 36 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 21-4619 and amendments thereto; (5) has been convicted of a felony described in article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated; (6) has been convicted of an attempt under K.S.A. 21-3301, and amendments thereto, to commit any act specified in this subsection; (7) has been convicted of any act which is deseribed in K.S.A. 21-4301, 21-4301a or 21-4301e, and amendments thereto; (8) has been convicted in another state or by the federal government of an act similar to any act described in this subsection; or (9) has entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with any offense described in this subsection.
 - (1) A felony under the uniform controlled substances act;
 - (2) a felony described in any section of article 34 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsection (a), or a battery, as described in K.S.A. 21-3412, and amendments thereto, or domestic battery, as described in K.S.A. 21-3412a, and amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or student;

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- (3) a felony described in any section of article 35 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsection (a); 2 3 or sexual battery, as described in K.S.A. 21-3517, and amendments thereto, if the victim is a minor or student;
 - (4) any act described in any section of article 36 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, other than an act specified in subsection (a);
 - a felony described in article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated:
 - (6) promoting obscenity, as described in K.S.A. 21-4301, and amendments thereto, promoting obscenity to minors, as described in K.S.A. 21-4301a, and amendments thereto, or promoting to minors obscenity harmful to minors, as described in K.S.A. 21-4301c, and amendments thereto;
 - [(7) endangering a child, as defined in K.S.A. 21-3608, and amendments thereto;]
 - (7) [(8)] driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs in violation of K.S.A. 8-1567 or 8-2,144, and amendments thereto, when the violation is punishable as a felony;
 - (8) [(9)] attempt under K.S.A. 21-3301, and amendments thereto, to commit any act specified in this subsection;
 - (9) [(10] conspiracy under K.S.A. 21-3302, and amendments thereto, to commit any act specified in this subsection; or
 - (10) [(11)] an act in another state or by the federal government [committed in violation of a federal law or in violation of another **state's law**] that is comparable to any act described in this subsection.
 - The state board of education may issue a license to or renew the license of a person who has been convicted of committing an offense or act described in subsection (b) or who has entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with an offense or act described in subsection (b) if the state board determines, following a hearing, that the person has been rehabilitated for a period of at least five years from the date of conviction of the offense or commission of the act or, in the case of a person who has entered into a criminal diversion agreement, that the person has satisfied the terms and conditions of the agreement. The state board of education may consider factors including, but not limited to, the following in determining whether to grant a certificate [license]:
 - The nature and seriousness of the offense or act;
 - (2) the conduct of the person subsequent to commission of the offense or act;
 - the time elapsed since the commission of the offense or act;
 - the age of the person at the time of the offense or act;
- 42 whether the offense or act was an isolated or recurring in-43 cident; and

- (6) discharge from probation, pardon or expungement.
- (d) Before any license is denied by the state board of education for any of the offenses or acts specified in subsections (a) and (b), the person shall be given notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act.
- (e) The county or district attorney shall file a report with the state board of education indicating the name, address and social security number of any person who has been determined to have committed any offense or act specified in subsection (a) or (b) or to have entered into a criminal diversion agreement after having been charged with any offense or act specified in subsection (b). Such report shall be filed within 30 days of the date of the determination that the person has committed any such act or entered into any such diversion agreement.
- (f) The state board of education shall not be liable for civil damages to any person refused issuance or renewal of a license by reason of the state board's compliance, in good faith, with the provisions of this section.
- [New Sec. 2. (a) A teacher shall not read, use or display in a school any material for which an affirmative defense to prosecution may be asserted under subsection (b)(2) of K.S.A. 21-4301a or subsection (c)(2) of 21-4301c, and amendments thereto, unless such use, reading or display has been approved by the board of education of the school district in which such school is located.
- [(b) A principal of a school shall not allow any person to read, use or display in a school any material for which an affirmative defense to prosecution may be asserted under subsection (b)(2) of K.S.A. 21-4301a or subsection (c)(2) of 21-4301c, and amendments thereto, unless such use, reading or display has been approved by the board of education of the school district in which such school is located.]
- Sec. 2. [3.] K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 72-1397 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. [4.] This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.