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**HOUSE BILL 18-1130** 

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASING THE AVAILABILITY OF QUALIFIED PERSONNEL WHO ARE LICENSED IN ANOTHER STATE TO TEACH

# **Bill Summary**

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <a href="http://leg.colorado.gov">http://leg.colorado.gov</a>.)

The bill permits a school district board of education to employ a nonlicensed, district-authorized instructor to teach in the schools of the school district if the district is unable to staff regularly licensed teachers in critical shortage areas or unique subject areas.

A person employed as district-authorized instructor must hold at

least a bachelor's degree in the subject area in which the person is teaching, must satisfy school district-established standards, and must submit to a fingerprint-based criminal history record check.

A school district may employ a person as a district-authorized instructor for up to 5 years.

A district-authorized instructor may earn in excess of the school district's standard salary and benefits schedule if the instructor has significant experience in the subject area and the salary and benefits are supported by nationally recognized, Colorado-specific salary survey data.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-201, amend 3 (3)(b)(I)(B) as follows: 4 22-60.5-201. Types of teacher licenses issued - term - definition 5 - rules. (3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a professional 6 teacher license to any applicant from another state if: 7 (B) The applicant has had at least three years of continuous, 8 successful, evaluated experience WITHIN THE PREVIOUS SEVEN YEARS as 9 a teacher in an established elementary or secondary school and can 10 provide documentation of such experience on forms provided by the 11 department. 12 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-60.5-210, amend 13 (3)(b)(I)(B) as follows: 22-60.5-210. Types of special services licenses issued - term -14 15 **definition.** (3) (b) (I) The department of education may issue a 16 professional special services license to any applicant from another state 17 if: 18 (B) The applicant has had at least three years of continuous, 19 successful, evaluated experience WITHIN THE PREVIOUS SEVEN YEARS as 20 a special services provider in an established elementary or secondary

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section 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 8, 2018, if adjournment sine die is on May 9, 2018); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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