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SENATE BILL ***353***

AN ACT relative to the education professional standards board.

SPONSORS: Sen. Kahn, Dist 10; Sen. Ward, Dist 8; Sen. Hennessey, Dist 1; Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5;
Sen. Ricciardi, Dist 9

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill adds instructional specialists to persons who may be appointed to the professional standards board, allows for 3 consecutive terms of appointees, and requires reports to be maintained for 25 years.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to the education professional standards board.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 315:1 Department of Education; Professional Standards Board; Terms, Duties. Amend RSA 186:60
2 to read as follows:

3 186:60 Professional Standards Board.

4 I. There is hereby established a professional standards board to advise the state board of
5 education regarding professional growth, certification, and governance of the education profession in this
6 state. The board shall consist of the following 21 members:

7 (a) The commissioner of the department of education, or designee, who shall be the
8 executive secretary of the board;

9 (b) 9 members representing classroom teachers ~~[or]~~, education specialists, or ~~[both]~~
10 ***instructional specialists***;

11 (c) 9 members representing higher education and education administration ***with at least 3***
12 ***employed by a community college system of New Hampshire member institution education department, or***
13 ***university system of New Hampshire member institution education department***; and

14 (d) 2 members representing qualified lay persons.

15 II. The state board of education shall appoint the 20 members of the board specified in paragraph
16 I(b), (c) and (d) from nominations submitted by the education profession and interested persons.

17 III. The appointed members of the board shall serve for 3-year terms and may not serve for more
18 than [2] ***3 consecutive*** full terms.

19 IV. The appointed members of the board shall serve without compensation and shall be entitled
20 to reimbursement by the state board of education for mileage and expenses incurred in performing
21 required duties. The state board of education shall furnish the board with materials, secretarial assistance,
22 and meeting facilities.

23 V. The members of the board shall annually elect a ~~[chairman]~~ ***chairperson*** from among their
24 membership. The ~~[chairman]~~ ***chairperson*** shall present budget requests to the state board of education.

25 VI. The board shall have the following powers and duties:

26 (a) The board shall recommend policies to the state board of education including, but not
27 limited to, pre-service education, continuing education, professional growth, initial certification,
28 recertification, para-professional training and certification, revocation of credentials, performance
29 evaluation and staffing patterns. In making policy recommendations on the certification process, the board
30 shall consider complaints it receives from persons who feel aggrieved by the process.

31 (b) The board shall meet at least 5 times annually.

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1 (c) The board shall annually submit [~~2-reports~~] *a report* to the state board of education
2 concerning its activities and containing policy recommendations.

3 (d) The board shall maintain records and minutes of its meetings and shall file them in the
4 bureau of credentialing *for 25 years*.

315:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 01, 2022
Effective Date: August 30, 2022