

Department of Planning and Budget 2019 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1643

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Hope

3. **Committee:** Education

4. **Title:** Teacher licensure; alternate route to licensure.

5. **Summary:** Requires the Board of Education (Board) to develop guidelines that establish a process to permit a school board or any organization sponsored by a school board to petition the Board for approval of an alternate route to licensure that may be used to meet the requirements for a provisional or renewable license or any endorsement. Any such alternate route may include alternatives to the regulatory requirements for teacher preparation, including alternative professional assessments and coursework. The petitioner may proffer or the Board may impose conditions in conjunction with the approval of such petition. The bill requires the Board to develop these guidelines no later than December 1, 2019.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 133.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019	\$0	0	N/A
2020	\$25,000	0	General Fund

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Education's (DOE) Office of Teacher Licensure does not have existing staff that can develop the guidelines prescribed by this bill. DOE estimates a state cost of \$25,000 in FY 2020 to support a six-month wage position to draft the guidelines that establish a process to permit a school board or any organization sponsored by a school board to petition the Board for approval of an alternate route to licensure that may be used to meet the requirements for a provisional or renewable license or any endorsement. Any additional state cost resulting from the volume of petitions permitted by this legislation is indeterminate at this time.

Any fiscal impact to local school divisions is indeterminate.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Board of Education, Department of Education, local school divisions

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** This bill is similar to HB2486H1.