CHAPTER 510

H.B. No. 2315

AN ACT

relating to requirements for alternative certification of teachers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 13.035(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (b) The rules must provide for the persons being certified to satisfactorily complete:
- (1) any examinations required generally for certification, except that a person certified under this section shall be exempted from taking any examination or portion of an examination that is designed to test knowledge of pedogogical methods, history of education, or child psychology if the person has not received formal educational training for a course in the subject area;
 - (2) a one-year internship under the supervision of an experienced, certified teacher;
 - (3) teaching method and classroom management training prescribed by the board; and
- (4) an appropriate number of semester hours credit, as determined by the State Board of Education, from an accredited institution of higher education and in the area in which the person is to be teaching.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 4, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 24, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 3, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.