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H.B. No. 3472

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of school district teaching permits to
authorize individuals to teach certain classes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 21.055(d-1), Education Code, is amended
to read as follows:

(d-1) Subsections (b), (c), and (d) do not apply to a person
who will teach only noncore academic career and technical education
courses, applied STEM courses as defined by Education Code 28.027,
or noncore mathematics courses. A school district board of

trustees may issue a school district teaching permit to a person who
will teach only those courses [~~only in career and technical
education~~] based on qualifications certified by the superintendent

of the school district. Qualifications must include demonstrated
subject matter expertise such as professional work experience,
formal training and education, holding an active professional
relevant industry license, certification, or registration, or any
combination of work experience, training and education, or industry
license, certification, or registration, in the subject matter to
be taught. The superintendent of the school district shall certify
to the board of trustees that a new employee has undergone a
criminal background check and is capable of proper classroom
management. A school district shall require a new employee to
obtain at least 20 hours of classroom management training and to

1 comply with continuing education requirements as determined by the
2 board of trustees. A person may teach a [~~career and technical~~
3 ~~education~~] course specified in this subsection immediately upon
4 issuance of a permit under this subsection. Promptly after
5 employing a person who qualifies under this subsection, the board
6 of trustees shall send to the commissioner a written statement
7 identifying the person, the course the person will teach, and the
8 person's qualifications to teach the course.

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
13 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.