

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB2885
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Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 2885 amends the definition of *mentor teacher* to include support and coaching. The measure directs the commission for teacher preparation to work with the state regents, and the various institutions of higher education, to establish a paid teacher internship program at each institution for prospective teachers. Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, school districts will have the option of participating in the residency program; however, participation will be mandatory beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. Additionally, the measure directs the residency committee to provide professional support, mentorship, and coaching for a resident teacher. Lastly, the State Board of Education must conduct an educator supply-and-demand study every three years. The resulting report must be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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Fiscal Analysis

Not required.

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Other Considerations

None.