

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

HB 2885, as introduced, 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. Additionally, the measure directs the residency committee to provide professional support, mentorship, and coaching for a resident teacher. School districts are required to appoint a residency committee for alternatively certified teachers. The measure deletes the option allowing the mentor teacher position on the residency committee to be unfilled. 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.