

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 1626 modifies language regarding the issuance of lead and master teaching certificates, directing each school district board of education to adopt and submit to the state Department of Education for approval a framework providing qualifications for advanced, lead, and master teaching certificates. The measure allows school districts with an approved framework to recommend teachers for the advanced, lead, or master certificates prior to the beginning of the school year and prior to the beginning of the second semester. The bill stipulates that a teacher with an advanced certificate will receive a \$3,000 annual salary supplement or the district's daily rate of pay, whichever is higher, to be matched by an equal amount from the Teacher Empowerment Revolving Fund created in the bill.

The measure provides that a teacher with an advanced certificate who is employed by a district with an average daily attendance (ADA) of less than 1,000 students or that receives Title I funds to shall receive an additional \$1,500.00 salary supplement. The measure states that a teacher with a lead certificate will receive a \$5,000.00 annual salary supplement or the district's daily rate of pay, whichever is higher, to be matched by an equal amount from the Teacher Empowerment Revolving Fund. It directs a teacher with a lead certificate who is employed by a district with an ADA of less than 1,000 students or that receives Title I funds to receive an additional \$2,500.00 salary supplement.

The bill states that a teacher with a master certificate will receive a \$10,000.00 salary supplement or the district's daily rate of pay, whichever is higher, to be matched by an equal amount from the Teacher Empowerment Revolving Fund. It directs a teacher with a master certificate who is employed by a district with an ADA of less than 1,000 students or that receives Title I funds to receive an additional \$5,000.00 salary supplement. The bill creates the Teacher Empowerment Revolving Fund.

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