Bailes (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 1469 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2017; 1-1 H.B. No. 1469 1**-**2 1**-**3 May 3, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 16, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0, 2 present not voting; May 16, 2017, sent to 1-4 1-5 1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Taylor of Galveston	Χ	-		
1-10	Lucio				X
1-11	Bettencourt	Χ			
1-12	Campbell	Χ			
1-13	Hall	Χ			
1-14	Huffines	X			
1-15	Hughes	Χ			
1-16	Seliger	Χ			
1-17	Taylor of Collin	X			
1-18	Uresti	Χ			
1-19	West		•		X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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relating to qualifications for certain teachers employed by certain open-enrollment charter schools.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12.129, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12.129. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), a [A] person employed as a principal or a teacher by an open-enrollment charter school must hold a baccalaureate degree.

(b) In an open-enrollment charter school that serves youth referred to or placed in a residential trade center by a local or state agency, a person may be employed as a teacher for a noncore vocational course without holding a baccalaureate degree if the person has:

(1) demonstrated subject matter expertise related to the subject taught, such as professional work experience, formal training and education, holding a relevant active professional demonstrated subject matter expertise related to industry license, certification, or registration, or any combination of work experience, training and education, and industry license, certification, or registration; and

(2) received at least 20 hours of classroom management training, as determined by the governing body of the

open-enrollment charter school.

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

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