

1-1 By: Ashby, Huberty (Senate Sponsor - Paxton) H.B. No. 3217  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2019;  
 1-3 April 30, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Administration; May 8, 2019, reported favorably by the following  
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 8, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-11	X			
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1-13	X			
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to certain eligibility requirements for issuance of a  
 1-18 teaching certificate.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 21.050, Education Code,  
 1-21 is amended to read as follows:

1-22 Sec. 21.050. ACADEMIC DEGREE REQUIRED FOR TEACHING  
 1-23 CERTIFICATE; FIELD-BASED EXPERIENCE OR INTERNSHIP.

1-24 SECTION 2. Sections 21.050(a) and (b), Education Code, are  
 1-25 amended to read as follows:

1-26 (a) A person who applies for a teaching certificate for  
 1-27 which board rules require a bachelor's degree must possess a  
 1-28 bachelor's degree received with an academic major or  
 1-29 interdisciplinary academic major, including reading, ~~[other than~~  
 1-30 ~~education,~~] that is related to the curriculum as prescribed under  
 1-31 Subchapter A, Chapter 28.

1-32 (b) ~~[The board may not require more than 18 semester credit~~  
 1-33 ~~hours of education courses at the baccalaureate level for the~~  
 1-34 ~~granting of a teaching certificate.]~~ The board shall provide for a  
 1-35 minimum number of semester credit hours of field-based experience  
 1-36 or internship to be included in the credit hours needed for  
 1-37 certification. The board may propose rules requiring additional  
 1-38 credit hours for certification in bilingual education, English as a  
 1-39 second language, early childhood education, or special education.

1-40 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-41 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-42 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-43 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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