

SENATE BILL No. 902

April 22, 2014, Introduced by Senators PAPPAGEORGE, MARLEAU and JONES and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled
"The revised school code,"
by amending section 1233 (MCL 380.1233), as amended by 2000 PA 288.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1233. (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, the board
2 of a school district or intermediate school board of an
3 intermediate school district shall not permit a teacher who does
4 not hold a valid teaching certificate to teach in a grade or
5 department of the school.

6 (2) The board of a school district or intermediate school
7 board of an intermediate school district shall not allow an
8 individual to serve in a counseling role in the school district or

1 intermediate school district, as the role is defined by the
2 superintendent of public instruction, unless the individual meets 1
3 or more of the following and the board or intermediate school board
4 complies with subsection (7):

5 (a) The individual holds a valid teaching certificate with a
6 school counseling endorsement.

7 (b) The individual meets all of the following:

8 (i) Holds a master's degree awarded after completion of an
9 approved school counselor education program that includes at least
10 all of the following skills and content areas or their equivalent:

11 (A) Guidance services--philosophy, principles, and practices.

12 (B) Individual and group analysis--nature and range of human
13 characteristics and appraisal methods.

14 (C) Guidance information--vocational development theory,
15 educational and occupational information.

16 (D) Counseling theory and practice--individual and group
17 procedures, administration and coordination relationships,
18 professional relationships, and ethics.

19 (E) Supervised experiences--laboratory, practicum, or
20 internship.

21 (F) Evaluation--statistics and research methodology, follow-up
22 evaluation, and measurement methods.

23 (ii) Has successfully completed the department's guidance
24 counselor examination.

25 (iii) Has been recommended by an approved school counselor
26 education program to provide services as a school counselor.

27 (c) The individual meets both of the following:

1 (i) Has at least 5 years of successful experience serving in a
2 school counseling role in another state within the immediately
3 preceding 7-year period.

4 (ii) Has successfully completed the department's guidance
5 counselor examination.

6 (3) The intermediate superintendent shall notify the
7 superintendent of public instruction immediately of the names of
8 noncertificated teachers teaching in violation of subsection (1)
9 and the names of individuals serving in counseling roles in
10 violation of subsection (2), the employing district, and the amount
11 of time the noncertificated teachers or unqualified individuals
12 were employed.

13 (4) A vocational teacher preparation institution shall utilize
14 the employment experience of an annually authorized teacher for the
15 purpose of waiving student teaching as a requirement for vocational
16 certification if the annually authorized teacher is supervised by
17 the teacher preparation institution.

18 (5) All vocational education teachers certified after June 1,
19 1995 shall pass a competency test.

20 (6) The board of a school district or intermediate school
21 district may employ a person without a teaching certificate as a
22 substitute teacher if the person has at least 90 semester hours of
23 college credit from a college or university.

24 (7) If the board of a school district or intermediate school
25 board of an intermediate school district chooses to employ an
26 individual who does not hold a valid teaching certificate to serve
27 in a counseling role, as permitted under subsection (2), the school

1 board or intermediate school board shall comply with sections 1230
2 and 1230a with respect to that individual to the same extent as
3 required for employing a person with a teaching certificate to
4 serve as a teacher.

5 (8) IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS UNDER THIS SECTION,
6 FOR GRADES 6 TO 12, THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE
7 SCHOOL BOARD OF AN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL NOT ALLOW AN
8 INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE IN A COUNSELING ROLE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR
9 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS THE ROLE IS DEFINED BY THE
10 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL HAS
11 COMPLETED A SEPARATE 45-HOUR COURSE COVERING COUNSELING IN THE
12 COLLEGE SELECTION PROCESS OR THE INDIVIDUAL HAS DEMONSTRATED
13 PROFICIENCY IN THE STANDARDS FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION COUNSELING, AS
14 APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, WITHIN 3
15 YEARS OF THE DATE THE INDIVIDUAL IS ASSIGNED TO SERVE IN THAT ROLE.
16 THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PROMULGATE OR MODIFY
17 RULES AS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBSECTION. THIS SUBSECTION
18 SHALL NOT APPLY TO INDIVIDUALS ASSIGNED TO SERVE IN A COUNSELING
19 ROLE ON OR BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION.