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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1431, L.D. 2054, Bill, "An Act to Extend New Teachers' Probationary Periods"

Amend the amendment in section 1 by striking out all of the first paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'The superintendent shall nominate all teachers, subject to such regulations governing salaries and the qualifications of teachers as the school board shall make. Upon the approval of nominations, by the school board, the superintendent may employ teachers so nominated and approved for such terms as the superintendent may deem proper, subject to the approval of the school board. Prior to May 15th before the expiration of a first or 2nd-year probationary teacher's contract, the superintendent shall notify the teacher in writing of the superintendent's decision to nominate or not nominate that teacher for another teaching contract. Upon the request of a probationary teacher in the 2nd year of a probationary contract to have the probationary contract extended to a 3rd probationary year, a superintendent may nominate and a school board may approve the extension of the probationary contract to a 3rd probationary year. If a probationary teacher in the 2nd year of a probationary contract requests a 3rd probationary year and the superintendent fails to nominate that teacher to a 3rd probationary year, then the superintendent must decide in the 2nd year of that teacher's contract whether to nominate or not to nominate the probationary teacher for a teaching contract. The superintendent shall annually report to the commissioner regarding the number of probationary teacher contracts that have been extended to a 3rd probationary year. If, after receiving a complaint from a teacher, the commissioner finds that the superintendent has

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2 failed to notify a teacher of a decision not to nominate that
3 teacher, the school administrative unit shall pay a forfeiture to
4 the teacher. The amount of that forfeiture shall must be equal
5 to the teacher's per diem salary rate times the number of days
6 between the notification deadline and the date on which
7 notification is made or on which the complaint is filed,
8 whichever occurs first. In case the superintendent of schools
9 and the school board fail to legally elect a teacher, the
10 commissioner ~~shall-have~~ has the authority to appoint a substitute
11 teacher who ~~shall-serve~~ serves until such election is made.'

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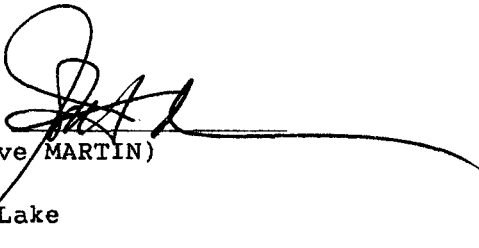
SUMMARY

16 This amendment allows a probationary teacher in the 2nd year
17 of a probationary contract to request that a superintendent, upon
18 the approval of the school board, extend the probationary
19 contract to a 3rd probationary year. If a superintendent decides
20 not to nominate the probationary teacher in the 2nd year of a
21 probationary contract for an extension to a 3rd probationary
22 year, then the superintendent must make a decision to nominate or
23 not to nominate the probationary teacher in the 2nd year of the
24 probationary contract.

26 It also requires superintendents to annually report to the
27 Commissioner of Education regarding the number of probationary
28 teacher contracts that have been extended to a 3rd probationary
29 year.

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34 SPONSORED BY: 
(Representative MARTIN)

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TOWN: Eagle Lake

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