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SENATE BILL 20

Teacher Certification Reciprocity
(version W)

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

- Sec. 1: AS 14.20.010, relating to a teaching certificate being required to teach in Alaska, removes the reference of there being a preliminary certificate.
- Sec. 2: AS 14.20.015(a), relating to out-of-state teaching certificates, removes reference to there being a preliminary certificate and adds that an incoming teacher must have a valid *regular* teaching certificate issued by the other state.
- Sec. 3: AS 14.20.015(b), relating to out-of-state teaching certificates, removes a requirement for passing a competency exam, and replaces it with a requirement to complete a college course in Alaska studies and multi or cross-cultural studies within 2 years, and trainings related to sexual assault awareness and suicide prevention within 3 months.
- Sec. 4: AS 14.20.015(c), relating to out-of-state teaching certificates, removes reference to there being a preliminary teaching certificate.
- Sec. 5: AS 14.20.015(g) is added to direct the department to establish regulations to expedite the out-of-state teaching certification application process for military spouses.
- Sec 6: AS 14.20.020(h), relating to a requirement to complete a college course in Alaska studies and multi or cross-cultural studies, to allow an out-of-state teacher to receive their Alaska certificate, but to complete those studies within 2 years.
- Sec 7: AS 14.20.020(k), relating to the requirement of trainings regarding sexual abuse, and assault awareness, and suicide awareness and prevention to take place before being issued an Alaska teaching certificate, to allow out-of-state certificate holders 3 months to complete such trainings.
- Sec. 8: AS 14.20.015 (d), (e), and (f), relating to preliminary teaching certificate employment, tenure and expiration, are repealed.