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HOUSE BILL 162:

**“An Act relating to tenure of public school teachers; and providing for an effective date.”**

HB162 would increase the time required for teachers to be awarded tenure. The probationary period will now be five years to ensure a new teacher has the opportunity to realize their full potential and become an effective teacher.

We need to ensure our most effective teachers remain in our classrooms to provide the best possible education for students. Successful teachers help shape and create successful students. We are not pointing fingers at teachers; nothing can be further from the truth. Effective teachers are exactly what our students need.

HB 162 will bring us one step closer to our goal of ensuring a high performing, quality teacher in every classroom.