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Referred: Health, Welfare
and Education

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY KERTTULA BY REQUEST

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to lifetime certification of
6 teachers meeting certain qualifications.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 WHEREAS it is in the best interests of the people of the State of
9 Alaska that they have available to them the finest quality educational
10 system; and

11 WHEREAS there is a large turnover in teachers and administrators in this
12 state because of a wide variety of factors and this is detrimental to quality
13 education; and

14 WHEREAS one of the factors contributing to this turnover is the strin-
15 gent requirement that teachers and administrators take additional education
16 courses every five years in order to remain certified by the state; and

17 WHEREAS this works a hardship on many teachers and administrators who
18 already have advanced degrees because it is difficult to get courses dif-
19 ferent from those already taken; and

20 WHEREAS this recertification policy is beneficial for teachers and ad-
21 ministrators who do not have advanced degrees in that their own education is
22 continually upgraded; and

23 WHEREAS the former policy of the Department of Education of granting
24 Life Certificates to teachers and administrators after they had earned at
25 least a Master's Degree and had taught or acted as administrator for a certain
26 number of years is a policy which is in the best interests of the state;

27 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct
28 the Department of Education to grant Life Certificates to teachers and ad-
29 ministrators who have at least a Master's Degree and have taught or acted as

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administrator for at least seven years in Alaska.