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**Raised Bill No. 5592**

LCO No. 2038

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:  
(ED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 10-145b of the  
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (c) (1) The State Board of Education, upon request of a local or  
5 regional board of education, shall issue a temporary ninety-day  
6 certificate to any applicant in the certification endorsement areas of  
7 elementary education, middle grades education, secondary academic  
8 subjects, special subjects or fields, special education, early childhood  
9 education and administration and supervision when the following  
10 conditions are met:

11 (A) The employing agent of a board of education makes a written  
12 request for the issuance of such certificate and attests to the existence  
13 of a special plan for supervision of temporary ninety-day certificate  
14 holders;

15 (B) The applicant meets the following requirements, except as

16 otherwise provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision:

17 (i) Holds a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education  
18 accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher Education or  
19 regionally accredited with a major either in or closely related to the  
20 certification endorsement area in which the requesting board of  
21 education is placing the applicant or, in the case of secondary or  
22 special subject or field endorsement area, possesses at least the  
23 minimum total number of semester hours of credit required for the  
24 content area;

25 (ii) Has met the requirements pursuant to subsection (b) of section  
26 10-145f;

27 (iii) Presents a written application on such forms as the  
28 Commissioner of Education shall prescribe;

29 (iv) Has successfully completed a program of classroom  
30 management and instructional methodology approved by the State  
31 Board of Education and, within available appropriations, provided  
32 under contract with an institution of higher education designated by  
33 the Department of Higher Education;

34 (v) Possesses an undergraduate college overall grade point average  
35 of at least "B" or, if the applicant has completed at least twenty-four  
36 hours of graduate credit, possesses a graduate grade point average of  
37 at least "B"; and

38 (vi) Presents supporting evidence of appropriate experience  
39 working with children; and

40 (C) The Commissioner of Education may waive the requirements of  
41 subparagraphs (B)(v) or (B)(vi), or both, of this subdivision upon a  
42 showing of good cause.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-145b(c)(1)
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To permit the issuance of a temporary ninety-day certificate to applicants in the certification endorsement area of early childhood education.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*