

**Item 16:**  
**Update and Report of State Board for Educator Certification  
Enabling Legislation from the 88th Texas Legislature**

**DISCUSSION ONLY**

**SUMMARY:** This item provides an update and report to the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) regarding all SBEC-related legislation as a result of the 88th Texas Legislative Session.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:** The 88th Regular Texas Legislature passed several SBEC-related pieces of legislation. The Attachment includes a summary of each piece of enabling legislation, the subject and purpose, the existing Texas Administrative Code (TAC) rule, along with the current status/plan for implementation. TEA staff will provide regular updates on all SBEC-related legislation at upcoming meetings.

**Staff Members Responsible:**

Kameryn McCain, Director, EPCE Operations  
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**Attachment:**

SBEC-Related Legislation from the 88th Session Implementation Plan

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**SBEC Rulemaking Legislative Implementation Plan**

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**SBEC Rulemaking Legislative Implementation Plan on 87<sup>th</sup> and 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Sessions**

88 <sup>th</sup> Legislative Session, Regular Session					
Enabling Legislation	Subject and Purpose	Rule Chapter (s)	Owner (Support)	Timeline	Status
<b>SB 798</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirements for School Counselor Certificate Issuance. Removes two years of teaching experience currently in rule to issue the certificate.</li> </ul>	239	Marilyn Cook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 Proposal</li> <li>December 2023 Adoption</li> </ul> SBOE: February 2024 Effective Date April 2024	
<b>HB 2929</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing education and training requirements for classroom teachers and public school counselors. Removes cap on required hours for certificate renewal mandated by SB 1267 in the 87th Session</li> </ul>	232	Marilyn Cook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 Proposal</li> <li>December 2023 Adoption</li> </ul> SBOE: February 2024 Effective Date April 2024	
<b>HB 621</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creation of three-year temporary certificate for military veterans and first responders</li> </ul>	227 228 230 234	Marilyn Cook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 Proposal</li> </ul>	

<p><b>SB 544</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creation of temporary, one-year certificate for certain persons with experience as instructors for the Community College of the Air Force</li> </ul>	<p>227 228 230 234</p>	<p>Marilyn Cook</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 Proposal</li> </ul>	
<p><b>SB 422</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirements for military service members and spouses regarding expediting applications and alternative methods for certification requirements.</li> </ul>	<p>234</p>	<p>Marilyn Cook</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September 2023 Proposal</li> <li>December 2023 Adoption</li> </ul> <p>SBOE: February 2024 Effective April 2024</p>	
<p><b>HB 1605</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirements for coursework and demonstrated proficiency in the use of open education resource instructional materials approved by the SBOE for the subject area and grade level of the candidate’s certification category and</li> <li>Requirements for coursework related to the prohibition on instruction on instructional materials that incorporated “three-cueing” into foundational skills reading instruction.</li> <li>Updating of the aligned educator standards</li> <li>Updating of the aligned certification exams</li> </ul>	<p>235 228 230</p>	<p>Jessica McLoughlin</p>	<p>TBD</p>	

87 <sup>th</sup> Legislative Session, Regular Session					
HB 2256	<b>Bilingual Special Education Certificate:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Related to the training requirements to obtain a Bilingual Special Education Certificate.</li> <li>Requirements for EPPs regarding Bilingual Special Education standards for program approval and renewal.</li> </ul>	228	Marilyn Cook	TBD	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Related to the creation of, and examination requirements for a Bilingual Special Education Certificate.</li> </ul>	230	TBD	TBD	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirements for personnel assignments for individuals with a Bilingual Special Education Certificate.</li> </ul>	231	Marilyn Cook	TBD	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Related to the establishment of a Bilingual Special Education Certificate category.</li> </ul>	233	Marilyn Cook	TBD	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Related to the creation of Bilingual Special Education standards.</li> </ul>	235	DeMarco Pitre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>February 2023 Discussion</li> <li>April 2023 Proposal</li> <li>July 2023 Adoption</li> </ul> SBOE: September 2023 Effective October 2023	