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94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 168.015, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the commissioner's advisory council.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 168.015, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 168.015, to read as follows:

168.015. 1. There is hereby established within the department of elementary and secondary education[,] the ["Missouri Advisory Council of Certification for Educators"] **"Commissioner's Advisory Council on Teacher Quality"**, hereinafter known as the "advisory council", which shall be composed of [twenty-five] **twenty-seven** members to be appointed by the state board of education on the recommendation of the commissioner of education, **who shall serve as chair of the advisory council.** Of the [twenty-five] **twenty-seven** members [of the council,]:

(1) Fifteen [must] **shall** be active public school classroom teachers, **which may include guidance counselors, librarians, and vocational teachers;**

(2) **One shall be a local school board member;**

(3) **One shall be a state board of education member;**

(4) **Four shall be active school administrators, one elementary school building principal, one middle school building principal, one high school building principal, and one central office administrator;**

(5) **Four shall represent institutions of higher education with**

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

18 **accredited teacher education programs, which may include public and**
19 **private colleges and universities and community colleges; and**

20 **(6) Two additional members may be added as necessary, who are**
21 **appointed by the commissioner.**

22 2. The duties and responsibilities of the advisory council shall include, but
23 not be limited to:

24 (1) Making recommendations for the criteria and procedures whereby the
25 quality and effectiveness of teacher and school administrator education programs
26 **in all public and private colleges and universities and community**
27 **colleges** within the state shall be evaluated;

28 (2) Making recommendations for the requirements for the certification
29 **and renewal of certification** of public school teachers and administrators;

30 (3) Making recommendations for the standards for renewal **and**
31 **upgrades** of certificates for public school teachers and administrators using
32 academic course work [as well as other types of], professional development, **and**
33 **other requirements outlined in statute or rules and regulations;**

34 (4) **Making recommendations concerning rules and regulations**
35 **with respect to the standards used to measure high-quality professional**
36 **development and high-quality induction programs for teachers, support**
37 **services, vocational educators, and administrators, including a review**
38 **of programs and moneys appropriated under subsection 2 of section**
39 **160.530, RSMo;**

40 [(4)] (5) Making recommendations concerning rules and regulations [with
41 respect to suspension and revocation of certificates of license to teach] **regarding**
42 **recruitment and retention of teachers, teaching standards, beginning**
43 **teacher assistance programs, mentoring programs, and teaching and**
44 **learning conditions;**

45 [(5)] Requesting and receiving reports from committees consisting of
46 representatives from various professional groups, qualified in respective
47 curriculum areas and other specialized areas, to assist in the formulation of
48 recommendations of the advisory committee to the commissioner of education
49 with respect to certification of public school teachers and administrators;]

50 (6) Making recommendations for limiting the issuance of temporary **and**
51 **provisional** certificates that are granted to those who do not meet the full
52 requirements for certification, **state and local programs and assistance to**
53 **promote retention and professional development of such teachers, and**

54 the requirements for such teachers to gain full certification.

55 **3. Members shall serve without remuneration. From funds**
56 **appropriated in accordance with subsection 2 of section 160.530, RSMo,**
57 **the advisory council shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses**
58 **actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.**

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