

House Bill No. 1261

Senate Education Committee Hearing

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Chairman: Senator Todd Beard

Vice-Chair: Senator Randy Lemm

Testimony by: Cynthia Schreiber-Beck, District 25 Representative

House Bill No. 1261 removes two sections of code (below) that are no longer necessary since the authority to issue special education endorsements was transferred to the Education Standards and Practices Board.

Please give House Bill 1261 a do pass.

Thank you.

15.1-18-05. Special education strategist credential. *In addition to any other credential, the superintendent of public instruction shall implement a special education strategist credential, effective August 1, 2001. Any individual who obtains a special education strategist credential and meets all other teacher licensure requirements imposed by statute may provide special education services in the areas of intellectual disabilities, emotional disturbance, and specific learning disabilities.*

15.1-18-06. Provisional special education strategist credential. *Beginning August 1, 2001, upon application the superintendent of public instruction shall issue a provisional special education strategist credential to any individual who is licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education standards and practices board and who holds a credential applicable to the areas of intellectual disabilities, emotional disturbance, or specific learning disabilities. The provisional credential must be made available to the individual for the lesser of three years or the period of time required by the individual to complete the requirements for a special education strategist credential.*