

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB647

Patron: Kent

Bill Title: Board of Education; Regulations Governing Allowable Credit for Teaching Experience; certain credit substitution allowance permitted.

Bill Summary: Requires the Board of Education to amend its Regulations Governing Allowable Credit for Teaching Experience for the purpose of salary placement credit to provide that teachers in the field of career and technical education, where the licensure requirement calls for occupational work experience beyond the apprenticeship level, may be allowed credit for one year of teaching experience for each one or two years of work experience. The bill directs the Board to adopt emergency regulations to implement its provisions. The bill satisfies the reenactment requirement of Chapter 677 of the Acts of Assembly of 2025.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Explanation: Any costs related to Board of Education meetings or staff work to complete the requirements of this bill can be absorbed, therefore no budget amendment is necessary.

Fiscal Analysis: The Department of Education anticipates that existing staff can develop the regulations required by this bill, therefore no additional funding is needed.

Other: None.