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93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR NODLER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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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Section A. Section 168.015, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 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
2 elementary and secondary education[,] the ["Missouri Advisory Council of
3 Certification for Educators"] **"Commissioner's Advisory Council"**, hereinafter
4 known as the "advisory council", which shall be composed of twenty-five members
5 to be appointed by the state board of education on the recommendation of the
6 commissioner of education, **who shall serve as chair of the advisory council**
7 the twenty-five members [of the council,]:

8 (1) Fifteen [must] **shall** be active [public school] classroom teachers;

9 (2) **Four shall be active school administrators, one from**
10 **elementary school, one from middle school, one from high school, and**
11 **one from central office administration;**

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

13 (4) **Two shall be teachers in higher education institutions, one of**
14 **whom shall teach in schools of education;**

15 (5) **One shall be a member of the state board of education;**

16 (6) **Two shall be additional members who are appointed by the**
17 **commissioner.**

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

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

20 (1) Making recommendations for the criteria and procedures whereby the
21 quality and effectiveness of teacher and school administrator education programs
22 within the state shall be evaluated;

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

25 (3) Making recommendations for the [standards for renewal of certificates
26 for public school teachers and administrators using academic course work as well
27 as other types of professional development] **recruitment and retention of**
28 **educators;**

29 (4) Making recommendations [concerning rules and regulations with
30 respect to suspension and revocation of certificates of license to teach] **on**
31 **reducing the achievement gap within the state;**

32 (5) [Requesting and receiving reports from committees consisting of
33 representatives from various professional groups, qualified in respective
34 curriculum areas and other specialized areas, to assist in the formulation of
35 recommendations of the advisory committee to the commissioner of education with
36 respect to certification of public school teachers and administrators;

37 (6) Making recommendations for limiting the issuance of temporary
38 certificates that are granted to those who do not meet the full requirements for
39 certification] **Evaluating and making recommendations to improve the**
40 **state's assessment program;**

41 (6) **Reviewing and making recommendations to improve the**
42 **Missouri school improvement program; and**

43 (7) **Reviewing the delivery system of education for all students,**
44 **ages birth to grade twelve.**

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

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