

# HB2550



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/20/2009, by Rep. Michael K. Smith

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/21-5

from Ch. 122, par. 21-5

Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 21-5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21-5) (from Ch. 122, par. 21-5)

7 Sec. 21-5. High school certificate.

8 (a) A high school certificate shall be valid for 4 years  
9 for teaching in grades 6 to 12 inclusive of the ~~the~~ common  
10 schools. Subject to the provisions of Section 21-1a, it shall  
11 be issued to persons who have graduated from a recognized  
12 institution of higher learning with a bachelor's degree and  
13 with not fewer than 120 semester hours including 16 semester  
14 hours in professional education, 5 of which shall be in student  
15 teaching under competent and close supervision and with one or  
16 more teaching fields. Such persons shall be recommended for the  
17 high school certificate by a recognized institution as having  
18 completed an approved program of preparation which includes the  
19 academic and professional courses approved by the State  
20 Superintendent of Education in consultation with the State  
21 Teacher Certification Board.

22 (b) Beginning February 15, 2000, Initial and Standard  
23 Secondary Certificates shall be issued to persons who meet all

1 of the criteria established by the State Board of Education for  
2 secondary education.

3 (Source: P.A. 90-548, eff. 1-1-98; 90-811, eff. 1-26-99;  
4 91-102, eff. 7-12-99.)