

The House Committee on Education offers the following substitute to HB 590:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elementary and secondary education, so as to exempt teachers desiring to transfer to Georgia
3 from other states from certain examinations in certain circumstances; to provide for related
4 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and
8 secondary education, is amended by inserting a new Code section to be designated Code
9 Section 20-2-200.1 to read as follows:

10 "20-2-200.1.

11 The commission shall not require a teacher from another state desiring to transfer to this
12 state to take a test of specific subject matter or a test of broad general knowledge, as
13 required by Code Section 20-2-200, to obtain a renewable certificate if such teacher:

14 (1) Holds a valid, professional state educator's certificate or license from a state that is
15 a party to the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and
16 Certification Interstate Contract; and

17 (2) Has a minimum of five years of satisfactory appraisals or ratings on any annual
18 performance evaluations."

19 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.