

The House Committee on Education offers the following substitute to HB 808:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Subpart 2 of Part 6 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of
2 Georgia Annotated, relating to conditions of employment of certificated personnel, so as to
3 provide for an increase in state salary for school psychologists who earn national
4 certification; to provide a definition; to provide for the amount of such increase; to provide
5 when such increase shall become effective; to provide for related matters; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Subpart 2 of Part 6 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
10 Annotated, relating to conditions of employment of certificated personnel, is amended by
11 adding a new Code section immediately following Code Section 20-2-212.4, to be designated
12 Code Section 20-2-212.5, to read as follows:

13 "20-2-212.5.

14 (a) As used in this Code section, 'national certification' means certification as a Nationally
15 Certified School Psychologist from the National School Psychology Certification Board.

16 (b) Any person who has earned national certification as a school psychologist shall receive
17 not less than a 10 percent increase in state salary annually upon:

18 (1) The completion of three years of satisfactory performance as a school psychologist
19 in a public school system in the state;

20 (2) The commencement of the 2005-2006 school year if certification was earned prior
21 to such school year; or

22 (3) Upon the commencement of the school year after earning such certification, if such
23 certification is earned after the commencement of the 2005-2006 school year.

24 (c) The increase in state salary provided by this Code section shall be in addition to any
25 other increase for which the person is eligible.

1 (d) The 10 percent increase shall be computed based on state salary when the increase is
2 first awarded and recomputed for each subsequent year based on the individual's state
3 salary for that school year, provided that the person continues to hold national certification
4 as a school psychologist."

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SECTION 2.

7 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.