

House Bill 1107

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 10 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to professional standards, so as to require the Professional Standards
3 Commission to develop and report annual performance measures that evaluate the
4 performance of each educator preparation provider (EPP) in the state; to provide for
5 minimum contents of EPP performance measures; to require each EPP provider to timely
6 provide information requested by the commission for purposes of preparing EPP
7 performance measures; to provide for satisfaction surveys; to require annual review of certain
8 EPP performance measures; to require the Office of Student Achievement to include a
9 summary of EPP performance measures in its annual report on the Georgia educator
10 workforce; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related
11 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

13 **SECTION 1.**

14 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Excellent Teacher Preparation Act."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 Part 10 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
17 relating to professional standards, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as
18 follows:

19 "20-2-988.1.

20 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

21 (1) 'Commission' means the Professional Standards Commission.

22 (2) 'Educator preparation provider' or 'EPP' means any teacher education program or
23 educator leadership program approved by the commission.

24 (3) 'EPP graduate' means an individual who has completed the coursework and other
25 training required by an EPP.

26 (4) 'EPP performance measures' means the performance measures for each EPP provided
27 for in subsection (b) of this Code section.

28 (5) 'Local education agency' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code
29 Section 20-2-167.1.

30 (b)(1) By January 1, 2027, the commission, in collaboration with the State Board of
31 Education, the Department of Education, the Board of Regents of the University System
32 of Georgia, and the Office of Student Achievement, shall develop EPP performance
33 measures that evaluate the performance of each EPP. Such EPP performance measures
34 shall focus on the preparedness and performance of EPP graduates and shall include, but
35 shall not be limited to, for each EPP:

36 (A) For each of the three most recently completed academic years:

37 (i) The total enrollment of students in the EPP at the beginning of each academic
38 year; and

39 (ii) The total number of EPP graduates who completed the EPP program each
40 academic year disaggregated by age, sex, race, and the category, title, type, field, and
41 level of certification attained within 12 months of EPP completion;

- 42 (B) EPP enrollment requirements;
43 (C) First and best attempt passage rates by EPP graduates on all exams and other
44 assessments required for Georgia certification disaggregated by age, sex, race, and the
45 category, title, type, field, and level of certification attained within 12 months of EPP
46 completion;
47 (D) Job placement rates of EPP graduates, disaggregated by state of employment,
48 public or private school, local education agency, age, sex, race, and the category, title,
49 type, field, and level of certification attained within 12 months of EPP completion;
50 (E) One- and three-year retention rates of EPP graduates;
51 (F) EPP satisfaction rates reported by EPP graduates and by employers of EPP
52 graduates;
53 (G) Information about annual evaluations of EPP graduates for their first three years
54 after EPP completion; and
55 (H) Information about student performance data for EPP graduates for their first three
56 years after EPP completion.
- 57 (2) The commission shall ensure the confidentiality of individual information while
58 providing aggregate data on EPP performance measures.
- 59 (3) The commission shall include the data collection processes and evaluation
60 methodology clearly and publicly on each EPP performance measures.
- 61 (c) EPP performance measures for each EPP shall be prepared and reported by the
62 commission no later than January 1, 2028, and by January each year thereafter, to each
63 respective EPP, the State Board of Education, the Department of Education, the Board of
64 Regents of the University System of Georgia, the Office of Student Achievement; each
65 local education agency; and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Education, the
66 Senate Education and Youth Committee, the House Committee on Higher Education, and
67 the Senate Higher Education Committee.

68 (d) Each EPP shall timely provide information requested by the commission for purposes
69 of preparing EPP performance measures.

70 (e) The commission, in consultation with the Office of Student Achievement, shall create
71 a standard survey that each EPP provides to each EPP graduate and the employer of each
72 EPP graduate at the end of his or her first year of employment to assess satisfaction with
73 how well the EPP prepared the EPP graduate for teaching. The survey data ranges shall be
74 displayed on each page for consistency. Each year there shall be a review of the current
75 results to ensure that the validity of score distributions accurately reflects performance and
76 to determine if adjustments to the survey design or scoring approach are necessary.

77 (f) The Office of Student Achievement shall include a summary of EPP performance
78 measures as part of the annual report regarding the Georgia education workforce provided
79 for in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27.

80 (g) The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia shall annually review the
81 EPP performance measures of each EPP that is part of the University System of Georgia
82 and, for each such EPP, shall determine whether interventions or support are needed based
83 on the information in the EPP performance measures."

84 **SECTION 3.**

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