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1	SENATE BILL NO. 234
2	INTRODUCED BY M. CAFERRO
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OFFICE OF
5	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR EXPEDITING THE CERTIFICATION OF
6	EDUCATORS WHO HAVE RELOCATED TO MONTANA DUE TO A MILITARY TRANSFER; AND AMENDING
7	SECTION 20-4-102 <u>20-4-103</u> , MCA."
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9	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
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11	Section 1. Section 20-4-102, MCA, is amended to read:
12	"20-4-102. Board of public education policies. To effect an orderly and uniform system of teacher and
13	specialist certification, the board of public education shall, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of
14	public instruction and in accordance with the provisions of this title, prescribe and adopt policies for the issuance
15	of teacher or specialist certificates. Such <u>The</u> policies shall <u>must</u> provide for:
16	(1) reasonable training and experience requirements for teacher, specialist, supervisor, and
17	administrative certificates and endorsements thereon as provided by the certification classification in 20-4-106;
18	(2) procedures to expedite the issuance of a teacher, specialist, supervisor, or administrative certificate
19	to a person:
20	(a) who holds or has held a similar certificate or license in another state; and
21	(b) whose spouse is the subject of a military transfer to Montana;
22	(2)(3) the renewal of teacher or specialist certificates based on the same conditions prescribed for the
23	initial issuance of certificates;
24	(3)(4) the conduct of hearings on teacher or specialist certification revocation, suspension, or denial;
25	(4)(5) the issuance of emergency authorization to a district to employ a person who is not the holder of
26	a valid teacher certificate as an instructor of pupils; and
27	(5)(6) any other policy, not inconsistent with the law, which that is necessary for the proper operation of
28	a system of teacher and specialist certification."
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30	SECTION 1. SECTION 20-4-103, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ:



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"20-4-103. Issuance of teacher or specialist certificates. (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall issue all teacher and specialist certificates in the state of Montana. In issuing teacher or specialist certificates, the superintendent of public instruction shall comply with the provisions of this title and the teacher and specialist certification policies adopted by the board of public education. The superintendent of public instruction shall not issue a teacher or specialist certificate to any person who does not satisfy the qualifications or other requirements of this title and of the board of public education policies for teacher or specialist certification.

- (2) The superintendent shall establish procedures to expedite the issuance of a teacher, specialist, supervisor, or administrative certificate to a person:
 - (a) who holds or has held a similar certificate or license in another state; and
- 10 (b) whose spouse is the subject of a military transfer to Montana."



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