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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 179

TO ALLOW REINSTATEMENT OF A VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED
EDUCATOR'S LICENSE UPON A SHOWING OF REHABILITATION AND FITNESS TO PERFORM THE
DUTIES AUTHORIZED BY THE LICENSE.

Amendment No. 5 to Senate Bill No. 179

Amend Senate Bill No. 179 as engrossed, S3/14/17 (version: 03/14/2017 8:54:27 AM):

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 36, and substitute the following:

"(r)(1)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (r)(1)(C) of this section, an educator whose license has been suspended or revoked may petition the State Board of Education for reinstatement of the license as follows:

(i) For a suspension, one (1) year after the date of the suspension; and

(ii) For a revocation, two (2) years after the date of the revocation.

(B)(i) Except as provided in subdivision (r)(1)(C) of this section, an educator whose license has been voluntarily surrendered:

(a) Shall upon request receive a hearing with the Professional Licensure Standards Board on the misconduct that led to the voluntary surrender:

(1) One (1) year after the date of the voluntary surrender; or

(2) At the first regularly scheduled meeting of the Professional Licensure Standards Board that is one (1) year after the date of the voluntary surrender; and

(b) May petition the state board for reinstatement of the license two (2) years after the date of the voluntary surrender.

(ii) An educator whose licensed has been voluntarily surrendered may petition the state board for reinstatement under subdivision (r)(1)(B)(i)(b) of this section only after having a hearing with the Professional Licensure Standards Board under subdivision (r)(1)(B)(i)(a) of this section.

(C) An educator is not eligible to petition for reinstatement under subdivision (r)(1)(A) or subdivision (B) of this section if the basis for the voluntary surrender, suspension, or revocation of the educator's license was an inappropriate relationship between the educator and one (1) or more students that met or was demonstrated by a preponderance of



the evidence to be intended to culminate in the definition of sexual abuse as defined in § 12-18-103(20)(D)."

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "(C)" and substitute "(D)"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Elliott

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