

1 AN ACT relating to the maintenance of teacher certification.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 161.095 is amended to read as follows:

4 **(1)** The Education Professional Standards Board, with the advice of the Kentucky  
5 Board of Education, shall:

6 **(a)** Promulgate administrative regulations to establish procedures for a teacher to  
7 maintain his or her certificate by successfully completing meaningful  
8 continuing education;

9 **(b)** ~~[- The Education Professional Standards Board shall -]~~Develop standards for  
10 continuing education related to maintaining a certificate, including university  
11 courses, an advanced degree, or a combination of field-based experience,  
12 individual research, and approved professional development; **and**

13 **(c)** ~~[- The Education Professional Standards Board shall -]~~Establish a system of  
14 quality assurance related to continuing education activities and certification  
15 requirements.

16 **(2) (a) The Education Professional Standards Board shall extend the validity**  
17 **period of a certificate of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States**  
18 **of America by one (1) year for each year the member is determined by the**  
19 **board to have been prohibited by military service or training from pursuing**  
20 **an advanced degree or completing professional development required to**  
21 **maintain certification; and**

22 **(b) The Education Professional Standards Board shall promulgate**  
23 **administrative regulations to establish an application process and develop**  
24 **guidelines for the process by which education or professional development**  
25 **is considered to have been prohibited by military service.**