

1 AN ACT relating to substitute teacher certification.

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

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 161.102 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 **(1) Notwithstanding KRS 161.1211, the Education Professional Standards Board**
5 **shall issue a one (1) year emergency certificate for substitute teaching to any**
6 **applicant who possesses a minimum of a high school diploma or High School**
7 **Equivalency Diploma and has met the requirements to receive the certificate as**
8 **set forth in administrative regulation promulgated by the Education Professional**
9 **Standards Board, subject to the provisions of KRS 161.120(1).**
- 10 **(2) The Education Professional Standards Board shall issue a five (5) year certificate**
11 **for substitute teaching to any applicant who possesses a bachelor's degree in any**
12 **subject area from a regionally or nationally accredited postsecondary education**
13 **institution.**
- 14 **(3) The Education Professional Standards Board shall issue a ten (10) year**
15 **certificate for substitute teaching to any applicant who:**
- 16 **(a) Holds a valid statement of eligibility for a Kentucky teaching certificate;**
17 **(b) Previously held a Kentucky teaching certificate which required the**
18 **completion of a four (4) year teacher preparation program and a bachelor's**
19 **degree; or**
- 20 **(c) Currently holds or previously held a valid out-of-state teaching certificate**
21 **which required the completion of a four (4) year teacher preparation**
22 **program and a bachelor's degree.**
- 23 **(4) The issuance of a substitute teaching certificate shall be subject to the provisions**
24 **of KRS 161.120(1).**
- 25 **(5) The one (1) year emergency certificate for substitute teaching authorized in**
26 **subsection (1) of this section shall not be valid for:**
- 27 **(a) Full-time employment with a school district as a substitute teacher; or**

1 (b) The replacement of the teacher of record for more than twenty (20)
2 consecutive instructional days [~~Any applicant for emergency substitute~~
3 ~~teaching who possesses a bachelor's degree in any subject area from a~~
4 ~~regionally or nationally accredited institution of postsecondary education shall~~
5 ~~be granted a certificate for substitute teaching from the Education Professional~~
6 ~~Standards Board subject to the provisions of KRS 161.120(1). This certificate~~
7 ~~shall enable the applicant to apply for substitute teaching in any subject area~~
8 ~~for any grade level in any local school district].~~

9 ➔ SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 156 IS CREATED TO
10 READ AS FOLLOWS:

11 (1) The Kentucky Department of Education may enter into an agreement with any
12 building and construction trade organization to develop a training program for
13 school counselors providing services to students in the Commonwealth. The
14 purpose of the training program shall be to promote building and construction
15 trades and training facilities available to students by making school counselors
16 aware of what is available to students participating in the building and
17 construction trade. The training program shall include information relating to:

18 (a) The pay and benefits available to people who work in the building and
19 construction trades; and

20 (b) Job opportunities, pre-apprenticeships, apprenticeships, and pathways
21 within the building and construction trade industry.

22 (2) The participating trade organization shall ensure ample opportunities for school
23 counselors that serve grades seven (7) through twelve (12) to complete the
24 training created under subsection (1) of this section annually and shall bear all
25 costs associated with the training. The participating trade organization may
26 choose to offer professional development opportunities to teachers who serve
27 students in grades seven (7) through twelve (12), if resources are available for

1 this purpose.

2 (3) The department shall include the training program created in this section on the
3 electronic consumer bulletin board created pursuant to KRS 156.095(9) if
4 requested by the training program.

5 (4) A school counselor serving students in grades seven (7) through twelve (12) may
6 complete four (4) hours of training developed under this section which shall
7 count towards the twenty-one (21) hours required annually pursuant to KRS
8 156.101(4)(b)2.

9 (5) Local boards of education or school-based decision making councils may
10 incorporate this training as part of the four (4) days of professional development
11 required pursuant to KRS 158.070(3)(a) for teachers who serve students in grades
12 seven (7) through twelve (12) if offered by the participating trade organization.