HB 2657  EDUCATION LICENSURE RECIPROCITY
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To ensure that Illinois school districts have access to the best quality candidates, regardless of the state where individuals received their initial educator license.

Support Legislative Initiative for Educator Reciprocity so that:

- Teachers that have completed an evidence based assessment of teacher effectiveness or a test of basic skills in another state, do not have to complete additional Illinois assessments up on initial licensure.

- Out-of-state teachers seeking licensure that have completed the same required coursework as in-state candidates need only verify program completion to receive an Professional Educator License. (Those who have not completed required coursework will receive a License with Stipulations and be required to complete any deficient coursework.)

- In emergency situations, school districts can employ for up to 120 days substitute teachers who hold a Professional Educator License or License with Stipulations that is endorsed for the grade level of instruction.

- Endorsements for out-of-state applicants for a Principal Endorsement or Superintendent Endorsement are available to individuals who have completed an out-of-state approved education program to become a principal or superintendent, met State exam requirements and received a certificate or license endorsed in a teaching field. (Those who have not passed State exams may receive a Provisional Endorsement.)

- Endorsements for out-of-state applicants for a Chief School Business Official Endorsement are available to those individuals with a master's degree in school business management, finance, or accounting; completed an internship in school business management or have 2 years of experience as a school business administrator; met all State exam requirements; and have completed modules in reading methods, Special Education, and English Learners.

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