

HOUSE BILL 97: 2015 Appropriations Act, Sec. 8.46: Licensure for Retired Substitute Teachers with at Least Thirty Years of Teaching Experience

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SUMMARY: Sec. 8.46 of S.L. 2015-241 amends licensure renewal standards for retired teachers with 30 or more years of experience in North Carolina. These teachers may qualify for a continuing license if they:

- Have served as a substitute teacher at least once every three years since retirement.
- Have 640 hours of documented substitute teaching experience each renewal cycle.
- Participate in at least 8 hours of professional development approved by a local school administrative unit (LEA) each renewal cycle.

In the six months prior to the effective date of this section, if a substituting retired teacher's license has expired, that substitute must be paid as if the substitute held a current license if all of the following conditions are met:

- The individual has 30 or more years of teaching experience in North Carolina on the date of retirement and has served as a substitute teacher at least once every 3 years.
- The individual has served as a substitute teacher in the 6 months prior to the effective date of this section.
- The individual indicates to the LEA in which the substitute is employed that he or she is seeking to satisfy the professional development requirements for license renewal.

This section became effective September 18, 2015, and applies beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.



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