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Abstract: Expands the entities associated with the certification of Montessori teachers.

<u>Present law</u> provides for entities granting certain classes of certification to Montessori teachers based on the teachers' qualifications. <u>Proposed law</u> retains the certification classes and associated qualifications and adds the International Montessori Council and the Southwestern Montessori Training Center to these entities.

<u>Present law</u>, as an alternative to certification from these specified entities, provides for certification from any Montessori training course jointly approved by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education and the La. Montessori Assoc. <u>Proposed law</u> additionally provides for certification from any Montessori training course from a program accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education.

(Amends R.S. 17:3403(A))