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SENATE BILL NO. 363

BY SENATOR COUSSAN

SCHOOLS. Provides relative to occupational experience of instructors in a technical or occupational course at proprietary schools. (gov sig)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3140.4(A)(1)(b), relative to proprietary schools; to provide
3	relative to licenses and minimum standards for instructors; to provide for certain
4	requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 17:3140.4(A)(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7	follows:
8	§3140.4. Licenses; minimum standards; duration
9	A. No applicant shall be issued a license pursuant to this Chapter until the board has
10	first determined that the school substantially complies with the following:
11	(1) The school's instructors have the following qualifications:
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13	(b) In a technical or occupational course, an instructor shall possess, at a
14	minimum, a bona fide high school diploma or its equivalent; a certificate, diploma,
15	license, other degree, or documented evidence of on-the-job training in the area
16	taught; and a minimum of four three years of documented occupational experience
17	in the area taught.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

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Present law requires that proprietary school instructors have the following qualifications:

- (1) In an academic course, an instructor must, at a minimum, possess a baccalaureate degree from a bona fide accredited college or university and demonstrate appropriate familiarity with the subject matter taught.
- (2) In a technical or occupational course, an instructor must possess, at a minimum, a bona fide high school diploma or its equivalent; a certificate, diploma, license, other degree, or documented evidence of on-the-job training in the area taught; and a minimum of four years of documented occupational experience in the area taught.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but changes the minimum years of documented occupational experience in the area taught from four years to three years.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:3140.4(A)(1)(b))