

Assembly Bill No. 469

CHAPTER 133

An act to amend Section 44350 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 469, Horton. Teacher credentialing: applications.

Existing law establishes in state government the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and requires the commission, among other things, to review and approve applications for, and issue, teaching and services credentials. A credential is required to contain its date of expiration, be issued on a form prescribed by the commission, and bear the signatures of the secretary and the chairman of the commission or their facsimile signatures.

This bill would instead require the credential to bear the signatures of the executive director and the chair of the commission or their facsimile signatures. The commission would be required to process an application for a credential within 50 business days of receipt, subject to specified exceptions. A specific timeframe would be established for the submission of certain applications to the commission by specified educational entities.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 44350 of the Education Code is amended to read:
44350. (a) Each credential issued shall contain its date of expiration, be issued on a form prescribed by the commission, and bear the signatures of the executive director and the chair of the commission or their facsimile signatures.

(b) In order to ensure the timely processing of an application for a credential, either electronically or by printed copy, the commission shall process an application within 50 business days of receipt.

(c) A school district, county office of education, nonpublic school, charter school, or institution of higher education submitting an application for a credential, certificate, permit, or other document shall submit the application to the commission not more than three months after the issuance date of the document requested.

(d) The processing time set forth in subdivision (b) does not apply to an application subject to a fitness review by the commission pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 44240) of Chapter 2, or an application subject

to a fitness review based on allegations of unfitness pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 44420) of Chapter 3.

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