2016 Kansas Statutes

72-1399. Licensure without teacher preparation program requirements; qualifications; limitations. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Applicant" means a person who:
- (A) Is seeking licensure as a teacher at the secondary level in the state of Kansas; and
- (B) has provided documentation to the state board verifying that the applicant has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher in such school district subject to receiving such licensure as a teacher.
- (2) "Career technical education" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in K.S.A. 72-4412, and amendments thereto.
- (3) "Teacher preparation program" means professional education pedagogy coursework provided at an accredited college or university engaged in teacher preparation.
- (4) "State board" means the state board of education.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an applicant shall not be required to complete a teacher preparation program prior to licensure as a teacher if such applicant satisfies one of the following:
- (1) The applicant holds a valid teaching license from another jurisdiction and has obtained the required scores on the praxis series tests as required by the state board for licensure;
- (2) the applicant has obtained an industry-recognized certificate in a technical profession; has at least five years of work experience in such technical profession; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach a career technical education course related to such technical profession; or
- (3) the applicant has obtained at least a bachelor's degree in the subject matter area of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, finance or accounting; has at least five years of work experience in such subject matter area; and has secured a commitment from the board of education of a school district to be hired as a teacher to teach in such subject matter area.
- (c) An applicant shall only be authorized to teach in the subject or subjects specified on the face of the license.
- (d) The state board shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- (e) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the provisions of article 13 of chapter 72 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

History: L. 2014, ch. 93, § 30; May 1.