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S 181. RECIPROCITY FOR TEACHERS FROM OTHER STATES. TO AUTHORIZE THE CERTIFICATION IN NORTH CAROLINA OF OUT-OF-STATE TEACHERS WHO ARE FULLY CERTIFIED AND HIGHLY QUALIFIED IN ANOTHER STATE. Reenacts and revises GS 115C-296.3 (which expired on June 30, 2004) to require that except as provided in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, a teacher from another state be granted NC certification if teacher: (1) is fully certified and highly qualified as provided in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 in another state; and (2) is employed as a teacher by NC local school administrative unit. Provides that teachers with less than three years of experience shall be granted initial certification for one year or for period necessary to acquire total of three years of full-time teaching experience in NC and other state, and continuing certification thereafter unless the employing unit recommends otherwise. Provides upon recommendation of local board of education, teachers with three or more years of experience shall be granted continuing certification after one year's employment. Requires that the Jt. Legis. Education Oversight Committee study the shortage of certified teachers in NC and report to the 2007 General Assembly on the continuing need for GS 115C-296.3. Applicable to persons initially employed as teachers for 2005-06 or 2006-07 school year and expires on June 30, 2007.

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