



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2046

PRINTERS NO. 3121

PRIME SPONSOR: Murt

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 2046 amends the Public School Code concerning instructional certificate grade spans, and duties of the Department of Education. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

Under current law, special education teaching certificates are issued to cover either a pre-kindergarten through eighth grade span or a seventh through twelfth grade span. This is set to change to one special education teaching certificate for pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade for certificates issued after December 31, 2021.

House Bill 2046 allows a teacher preparation program to permit an individual enrolled at the institution of higher education or the approved alternative preparation program prior to December 31, 2021, and who remains continuously enrolled, to complete the program for the grade level limitations provided under current law. In addition, the Department of Education may issue the appropriate special education pre-kindergarten through eighth grade or seventh through twelfth grade certificates to an applicant who completes the program under these conditions and meets all other certification requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the Department of Education, enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.