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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Dan Truitt

DATE:

March 12, 2012

RE:

School District Certification of Professional Employees

In the near future, I will introduce legislation to enable school districts to hire industry professionals and utilize other highly qualified volunteers to deliver classroom instruction. Specifically, this legislation will change the requirement that all professional employees in the school district must be "certified". Instead, only 75% of the professional employees will be required to be certified as is the current requirement for charter schools. This freedom has been requested by some school districts as a means to level the playing field between charter schools and non-charter schools.

A copy of the legislation is attached.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation please contact Amy Resetar at <u>aresetar@pahousegop.com</u>. Thank You.