GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025

H HOUSE BILL 946

| Short Title: | Montessori Teaching License. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: | Representatives Cotham, Biggs, and Brockman (Primary Sponsors). | |
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| Referred to: | Education - K-12, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations | of the House |
| | April 14, 2025 | |
| | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED | |
| AN ACT TO | PROVIDE FOR A NEW CLASS OF TEACHING LICENSE TH | AT MAY ONLY |
| BE USE | D AT A SCHOOL USING MONTESSORI INSTRUCTION AS | S ITS PRIMARY |
| METHO! | D OF INSTRUCTION. | |
| The General | Assembly of North Carolina enacts: | |
| \mathbf{S} | ECTION 1. G.S. 115C-270.20(a) is amended by adding a new su | bdivision to read: |
| "(| 7) Montessori license. – A license that allows the holder of th | e license to teach |
| | only in a school that uses Montessori instruction as its pr | imary method of |
| | instruction. An individual holding a license pursuant to this | subdivision may |
| | not teach students in a public school that is not a Montessori | school unless the |
| | individual holds another license issued by the State for publi | c school teachers. |
| | To receive this license, an individual shall meet the following | ng criteria: |
| | a. Hold a valid credential from any of the following gro | oups: |
| | <u>1.</u> <u>The American Montessori Society.</u> | |
| | The American Montessori Society. The Association Montessori Internationale. A program accredited by the Montessori Accredited | |
| | 3. A program accredited by the Montessori Accr | reditation Council |
| | for Teacher Education. | |
| | b. Hold a bachelor's degree in any field. | |
| | c. Complete any examination requirements adopted by | the State Board." |
| S | ECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies | s to applicants for |
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Montessori licenses on or after that date.

