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SENATE BILL 1594

Short Title: Education Bd. Sets Cert. Fees.

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Sponsors: Senator Lee.

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Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SET  
TEACHER CERTIFICATION FEES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-296(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The State Board of Education shall have entire control of certifying all applicants for teaching positions in all public elementary and high schools of North Carolina; and it shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the renewal and extension of all certificates and shall determine and fix the salary for each grade and type of certificate which it ~~authorizes. Provided, that the~~ authorizes. The State Board of Education shall also set the application fee for initial certification, renewal, and extension of all certificates.

The State Board of Education shall require each applicant for an initial bachelors degree certificate or graduate degree certificate to demonstrate the applicant's academic and professional preparation by achieving a prescribed minimum score on a standard examination appropriate and adequate for that purpose. The State Board of Education shall make the standard initial certification exam sufficiently rigorous and raise the prescribed minimum score as necessary to ensure that each applicant has adequate academic and professional preparation to teach."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.