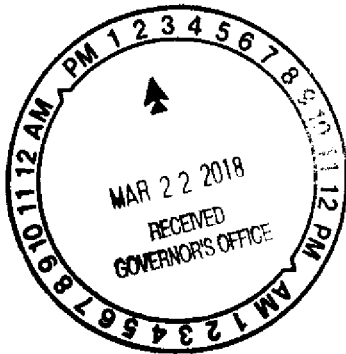


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ENROLLED, An Act,

To amend Section 26-24-2, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the Secretary of Early Childhood Education; to provide for the qualifications of the secretary.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 26-24-2 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§26-24-2.

"(a) The department shall be headed by and shall be under the direction, supervision, and control of an officer who shall be known and designated as the Secretary of Early Childhood Education. The secretary shall be responsible to the Governor for the administration of the department.

"(b) The secretary shall be appointed by and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Governor.

"(1) To be eligible for appointment to the office of secretary, a person shall provide proof of all of the following qualifications:

"a. A master's degree, or completion of at least 36 hours of post baccalaureate course work, in early childhood education or childhood development.

"b. Extensive experience in educational supervision and management in the areas of early childhood education encompassing birth to eight years of age, inclusive, school

1 readiness, early care education, school improvement, and
2 school administration or education administration.

3 "(2) In addition to the qualifications for the
4 office of secretary listed in subdivision (1), certification
5 in education administration and supervision is preferred, but
6 not required.

7 "(c) Vacancies in the office of secretary for any
8 reason shall be filled by the Governor.

9 "(d) The salary of the secretary shall be fixed by
10 the Governor at a sum comparable to salaries paid similar
11 officers in state government.

12 "(e) Before entering upon the discharge of duties,
13 the secretary shall take the constitutional oath of office and
14 shall execute to the State of Alabama a bond, to be approved
15 by the Governor, in an amount to be fixed by the Governor, but
16 not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), conditioned upon
17 the faithful performance of his or her duties. The premiums on
18 the bond shall be paid out of the State Treasury.

19 "(f) The secretary shall devote full time to the
20 official duties of the office and shall not hold another
21 office under the government of the United States, or any other
22 state, or of this state or of any political subdivision
23 thereof, during his or her incumbency in the office. The
24 secretary shall not hold any position of trust or profit, the

1 conduct of which shall interfere or be inconsistent with his
2 or her duties as secretary pursuant to this article."

3 Section 2. This act shall become effective
4 immediately following its passage and approval by the
5 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Mac McClatchey

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Del Marshall

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was passed by the House 25-JAN-18.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

22-MAR-18

Passed

APPROVED 3-28-2018

TIME 2:30 PM

Kay Ivey
GOVERNOR

Alabama Secretary Of State

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ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES OF CO-SPONSORS

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REPORT OF 2ND STANDING COMMITTEE

This bill having been referred by the House to its standing committee on _____ was acted upon by such a committee in session, and returned therefrom to the House with the recommendation that it be

Passed, w/amend(s) _____ w/sub _____ this _____ day of _____, 20____, Chairperson _____

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
R. 3rd length and passed
Yeas. 89 Nays. 0 Abs. 10
Date 1-25-18

JEFF WOODARD, Clerk

This bill having been referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Senate Rule 23 is reported to the Senate for assignment to the Committee on: _____

This _____ day of _____, 20____

Signed (Committee Chairperson) _____

Date: _____ Referred _____

Committee _____

DATE: _____ 20____

RE-REFERRED RE-COMMITTED

Committee _____

This Bill was referred to the Standing Committee of the Senate on _____

and was acted upon by such Committee in session and is by order of the Committee returned therefrom with a favorable report

w/amd(s) _____ w/sub _____ w/eng sub _____

by a vote of _____

yeas _____ nays _____ abstain _____

this _____ day of _____ 20____