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IN SENATE

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AN ACT to provide for the initial issuance of certificates in the class-room teaching service

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. 1. No candidate for an initial certificate in the classroom teaching service shall be required to take the edTPA portion of the state teacher certificate examination and no candidate shall be required to achieve satisfactory levels of performance on the edTPA portion of the state teacher certificate examinations in order to receive such certificate until April 30, 2016.
- 2. For candidates that have not received an initial certificate in the classroom teaching service by April 30, 2015, the education department shall require that such candidate achieve satisfactory levels of performance on the elementary or secondary assessment of teaching skills-written test; academic literary skills test; educating all students test; and the content specialty test. Provided that the requirements of this subdivision shall not apply after April 30, 2016.
- 3. Any candidate for a certificate in the classroom teaching service that has achieved a satisfactory level of performance on the edTPA shall be deemed to have met the requirements of the elementary or secondary assessment of teaching skills-written test pursuant to subdivision two of this section.
- 4. The education department is authorized and required to take all necessary actions to expeditiously establish additional test dates for the elementary assessment of teaching skills-written test and secondary assessment of teaching skills-written test.
 - S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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