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Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring providers of prekindergarten services to employ a licensed childhood or early childhood teacher as the on-site education director; and to amend chapter 57 of the laws of 2008 amending the education law relating to the universal pre-kindergarten program, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

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

Section 1. Paragraphs d-1 and d-2 of subdivision 12 of section 3602-e of the education law, as added by section 23 of part B of chapter 57 of the laws of 2008, are amended to read as follows:

d-1. guidelines which allow personnel employed by an eligible agency that is collaborating with a school district to provide prekindergarten services and licensed by an agency other than the department, to meet the staff qualifications prescribed by the licensing or registering agency; provided however, [a written plan is established for prekindergarten teachers to obtain a certificate valid for service in early childhood grades within five years after commencing employment, or by January third, two thousand thirteen, whichever is later] *THAT THE AGENCY OPERATING SUCH PROGRAM SHALL EMPLOY AN ON-SITE EDUCATION DIRECTOR DURING THE HOURS THAT THE PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM IS IN OPERATION THAT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION, WHO SHALL POSSESS A TEACHING LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE VALID FOR SERVICES IN THE EARLY CHILDHOOD OR CHILDHOOD GRADES*;

d-2. guidelines which allow personnel employed by an eligible agency that is collaborating with a school district to provide prekindergarten services and not licensed or registered by the department or other agency, to meet the staff qualifications prescribed by such eligible agency; provided however, [a written plan is established for prekindergarten

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

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S 2. Subdivision 4 of section 51 of part B of chapter 57 of the laws of 2008 amending the education law relating to the universal pre-kindergarten program, as amended by chapter 2 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

4. section 23 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2008 [and shall expire and be deemed repealed June 30, 2012];

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.