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## AN ACT

To amend chapters 168 and 173, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to public school teachers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapters 168 and 173, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto two new 2 sections, to be known as sections 168.095 and 173.850, to read as follows:

168.095. 1. Beginning with the 2001-2002 school year, any teacher employed by a public school district for one year or more, unless the teacher's teaching contract has been 3 terminated or the teacher has been dismissed by a school board for cause, shall be offered 4 salary schedule credit for such years when accepting employment within another public school district in Missouri, according to the guidelines contained in subsection 3 of this section. If after termination of a teacher's contract or dismissal by a school board for cause 6 the teacher subsequently acquires permanent teacher status in some public school district in Missouri, then on acceptance of employment within another public school district in Missouri the teacher shall receive salary schedule credit for the years during which the teacher's permanent status was earned and any years taught thereafter in a public school 10 11 district in Missouri unless thereafter the teacher's contract is terminated, or the teacher 12 is dismissed for cause.

2. As used in this section, the terms "termination of contract" and "dismissal" do not include the failure to reemploy a probationary teacher. The term "salary schedule credit" means placement on the district's salary schedule at the appropriate place based on the teacher's experience and education. Salary schedule credit does not require payment at any specific compensation level.

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3. For all school years beginning with contracts offered for school year 2001-2002, teachers accepting employment in a public school district, other than the one which employed them the previous year, shall be offered salary schedule credit according to the following guidelines:

- (1) For the school year 2001-2002 for each year of service up to five years;
- 23 (2) For the school year 2002-2003 for each year of service up to six years;
  - (3) For the school year 2003-2004 for each year of service up to seven years;
  - (4) For the school year 2004-2005 for each year of service up to eight years;
- 26 (5) For the school year 2005-2006 for each year of service up to nine years;
- 27 (6) For the school year 2006-2007 and each year thereafter for each year of service up to ten years.
- 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a school district from offering credit for service in excess of these guidelines.
  - 5. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds after all appeals are exhausted that section 16 of article X of the constitution of the state of Missouri applies to any provision of section 168.090, then any necessary funds shall be appropriated from the state lottery fund.

173.850. Before July 1, 2002, the department of higher education shall promulgate rules requiring all undergraduate students pursuing a bachelor's degree in elementary or secondary education at any public college or university in this state to receive training in student anger management and conflict resolution and in student peer mediation. In addition, the state board of elementary and secondary education may incorporate a requirement for such training into any teaching certificate issued by the state board of elementary and secondary education pursuant to section 161.092, RSMo.