

# Legislative Analysis



## INTERIM SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHING CERTIFICATES

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**Senate Bill 518 as passed by the Senate**

**Sponsor: Sen. Darrin Camilleri**

**House Committee: Education**

**Senate Committee: Education**

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### SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 518 would amend section 1531i of the Revised School Code to extend the ability of the state superintendent to issue an interim teaching certificate to teach special education to individuals going through an approved alternative certification program, as outlined in the section. The current deadline for issuing an interim special education teaching certificate is July 21, 2024.<sup>1</sup>

The extension would be for three years, to July 21, 2027. The bill would also allow individuals who have received their interim teaching certificate to continue teaching special education after the new July 21, 2027 deadline as long as they meet other applicable provisions of law.

MCL 380.1531i

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would create minimal costs for the state and would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on traditional local school districts, intermediate school districts (ISDs), and public school academies (PSAs).

Due to the extension of the sunset, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) would continue to incur administrative costs to issue interim special education teaching certificates until July 21, 2027. These costs would likely be absorbed using existing staff time.

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on districts, ISDs, and PSAs. The extension of the sunset would expand the pool of eligible applicants for special education teaching positions. The direction and magnitude of this change cannot be determined.

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<sup>1</sup> Established by 2020 PA 316: <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2019-SB-0657>