2019 -- H 5990

LC002355

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFIED NURSE-TEACHER

Introduced By: Representatives Corvese, O'Brien, Ucci, McNamara, and Solomon

Date Introduced: April 11, 2019

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 16-21-8 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-21 entitled "Health and
- 2 Safety of Pupils" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 <u>16-21-8. Certified nurse-teacher.</u>
- 4 Each school system shall employ certified nurse-teacher personnel certified by the state
- 5 department of elementary and secondary education; provided, however, that this section shall not
- 6 apply to those school districts which are currently allowed to share certified nurse-teacher
- 7 personnel by the department of elementary and secondary education. The school health program
- 8 as defined in § 16-21-7 shall only be staffed by certified <u>nurse-teacher</u> personnel.
- 9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

LC002355

======

EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFIED NURSE-TEACHER

This act would require that only certified nurses-teachers may be employed as school nurses in elementary and secondary schools.

This act would take effect upon passage.

=======
LC002355