**Third Grade Reading Guarantee Teacher Qualifications As proposed by SB 21 changes Senate Version**

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| This chart reviews the current interpretation of ORC 3313.608. The teacher qualification requirements for the 3rd grade reading guarantee were amended into HB 555 on the day it was passed out of Senate Education Committee.  | **Teacher Qualifications** |
| Holds a reading endorsement *on the teacher’s license* and has attained a passing score on the corresponding assessment for that endorsement. | Has completed a master’s degree program with a major in Literacy or Reading. | Demonstrated evidence of a credential earned from a list of scientifically research-based reading instruction programs approved by the department [ODE] | Teacher was rated ~~“above value added”,~~ effective reading instructor as determined by ODE, for the last two [2] school years. | Received a passing score on a rigorous test of principles of scientifically based reading instruction approved by the state board of education[[1]](#endnote-1). | ~~Has been actively engaged in the reading instruction of students for the previous three [3] years~~. |
| **Timeline Implementation** | \*\*2013-2014 School Year:  Applies to teachers with a ***third*** grade student who ***was retained*** or is on a ***reading improvement and monitoring plan***.  | **Option 1**  | **Option 2**  | **Option 3** | **Option 42**  | **Option 5**1 |  |
| 2014-2015 School Year:  Applies to teachers with a ***student in ~~kindergarten through~~ grade three who was retained or is on a reading improvement and monitoring plan*** | **Option 1**  | **Option 2**  | **Option 3** | **Option 42**  | **Option 5**1 | **Eliminated** |
|   | *Senate Bill 21 (As Passed by Senate*-Would not apply to K-2 teachersThe bill also states that if a district can’t furnish the number of teachers to satisfy the qualifications for 2013-2014 school year, a waiver will be granted upon passage of a resolution by the local school board and submitted to ODE. The department may not reject the plan. Emergency Clause was added |  **No Changes** |  **No Changes** | **Retains requirement and applies to the 2013-2014 school year and thereafter** | **Changes to,****“the teacher is an effective reading instructor as determined by criteria established by ODE”** |  **No Changes** | **Eliminated** |

1. Slated for bidding in Spring of 2014. ODE has moved up release date to Fall 2013.

2 Process to determine ‘above value added’ will be released late Spring 2013. No information how ‘effective reading instructor’ to be determined. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)