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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 325

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BASIC SALARY SCHEDULE FOR TEACHERS, NURSES, PRINCIPALS, SUPERINTENDENTS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 1305, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 1305. Basic salary schedule for teachers, nurses, principals, superintendents, and other administrative and
4 supervisory employees.

5 (1) In addition to the base salary derived from subsections (a) and (b) of this section, an employee who has
6 achieved certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards or from an equivalent program
7 approved by the State Board shall receive a salary supplement equal to 12% of the base salary so derived. An employee
8 shall receive a salary supplement equal to 6% of base salary so derived for receiving any of the following national
9 certifications:

10 (1) Certificate of clinical competence—speech pathologists and audiologists;_

11 (2) Nationally certified school counselor;_

12 (3) Music therapist—Board certified;.

13 (4) Nationally certified school psychologist;_

14 (5) Nationally certified school nurse;_

15 (6) Nationally certified occupational therapist.

16 The Professional Standards Board, with the approval of the State Board of Education, may authorize stipends
17 pursuant to this subsection in fiscal year 2000. The supplement shall be in the form of an additional salary amount spread
18 evenly across an employee's contract period similar to base salary. Funding for National Board certification described in
19 this subsection is subject to an annual appropriation. The Department of Education shall provide for funding the supplement
20 provisions of this subsection in its annual budget.

SYNOPSIS

This bill adds nationally certified occupational therapists to the list of employees entitled to receive a salary supplement for receiving national certification and makes technical changes to the section consistent with the Delaware Legislative Drafting Manual.