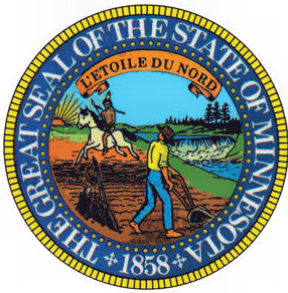


(AP) The Minnesota House has unanimously passed a bill that would require teachers to pass a basic skills test before getting a teacher's license. Republican bill sponsor Andrea Kieffer says the legislation would keep unqualified teachers out of the classroom.



Current law allows teachers to hold a provisional license for three years while continuing to retake the test. The companion bill hasn't received a vote in the full Senate. Gov. Mark Dayton has not yet taken a public stance on the bill.