The Committee on Budget (Simmons) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete lines 567 - 571 and insert:

3. Advanced degree.—A district school board may not use advanced degrees in setting a salary schedule for instructional personnel or school administrators hired on or after July 1, 2011, unless the salary schedule provides that it is only a salary supplement and the advanced degree:

   a. Is held in the individual’s area of certification;
   b. Is in an area that is substantially similar to the individual’s area of certification; or
   c. Is in the area of exceptional student education.