

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2026**  
**Raised H.B. No. 5218**

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**Introducer(s):**

Education Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING TEACHERS.

**Statement of Purpose:** To (1) establish a just cause standard for teacher termination decisions, (2) make the decision of a neutral arbitrator in a termination hearing binding, and (3) provide full workers' compensation coverage for teachers injured by students in the course of their employment.

**Bill History:**

02-18-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Education Committee

02-19-2026 PUBLIC HEARING 02/23

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