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S.F. No. 1660 – Standards amendment for required education and experience - as proposed to be amended by the A-1 amendment.

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Section 1 [Early examination; 326A.03, subd. 3a] clarifies when a person can apply to take an exam for certification as a public accountant before completing educational requirements. This section is effective July 1, 2026.

Section 2 [Certificate; required education and experience; 326A.03, subd. 6] adds a second path for meeting education and experience requirements to be certified as a public accountant. Under current law, a person must have 150 semester or 225 quarter hours at a college or university and one year of experience. This section allows certification for a person who has 120 semester or 180 quarter hours at a college or university and two years of experience. This section is effective July 1, 2026.