

SHORT TITLE: State Board of Education; modifying statutory reference; effective date; emergency.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 44th Legislature (1994)

SENATE BILL NO. 1157

By: Hendrick

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3-101, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 1993, Section 3-101), which relates to members, terms, and travel expenses of the State Board of Education; modifying statutory reference; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3-101, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 1993, Section 3-101), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-101. The State Board of Education shall be the governing board of the State Department of Education and shall consist of seven (7) members. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be a member and the chairperson of said Board. The remaining six members shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Beginning April 2, 1991, no person shall be eligible to be appointed to serve on the State Board unless said person has been awarded a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalency.

The Governor shall appoint one member to serve for one (1) year; one member to serve for two (2) years; one member to serve for three (3) years; one member to serve for four (4) years; one member to

serve for five (5) years; and one member to serve for six (6) years. Said members shall serve until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. Their successors shall be appointed for a term of six (6) years, and thereafter the term of each member of said Board shall be six (6) years. An appointment shall be made to take effect on April 2 of each year. Except for the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a member shall be appointed from each congressional district, not to exceed more than one member from any one county, city or town. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy the same shall be filled by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate at the next session of the Legislature, such appointments to be made for the unexpired term.

Terms of the members shall be staggered so that only one term expires each year. Each member of the Board shall receive necessary traveling expenses while in the performance of his duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act, Section 500.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Provided, that persons serving as members of the State Board of Education on the effective date of this act shall continue to serve as members of the State Board of Education for the terms for which they were appointed.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1994.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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