

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 46th Legislature (1998)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2652

By: Turner

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 8, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 34, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 1995, and as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 6-199), which relates to the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation; re-creating the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation; amending 74 O.S. 1991, Section 3905, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 252, O.S.L. 1995 (74 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 3905), which relates to the 1998 Sunset entities; re-creating such entities; placing the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation under Sunset Review; adding Task Force on Perinatal Substance Abuse to such list; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 8, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 34, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 1995, and as

last amended by Section 7, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 6-199), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-199. A. There is hereby ~~created~~ re-created until July 1, 2004, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation. The Commission shall be composed of twenty (20) members, sixteen of whom shall be voting members and four of whom shall be ex officio, nonvoting members. The sixteen voting members shall serve staggered terms of three (3) years, except as otherwise provided, and shall be appointed as follows:

1. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint:
  - a. one public school teacher who is an employee of an Oklahoma public school district, who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years,
  - b. one lay person who has at least one child who is a student in an elementary or secondary public school in this state,
  - c. one member of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years, and
  - d. one member who is a principal of an Oklahoma public school who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year;
2. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint:
  - a. one public school teacher who is an employee of an Oklahoma public school district to serve an initial term of one (1) year,
  - b. one member of the State Board of Education who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year,
  - c. one lay person who has had some educational employment experience, and

- d. one member who is a public school superintendent of an Oklahoma public school district to serve an initial term of two (2) years;

3. The Governor shall appoint:

- a. one member from a private Oklahoma institution of higher education who is the dean or director of an approved teacher education program who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year,
- b. one member of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years,
- c. one member of the State Board of Education,
- d. one teacher from an area vocational-technical school district who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year,
- e. one member from an institution of higher education in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education who is on the arts and sciences faculty to serve an initial term of two (2) years,
- f. one member from an institution of higher education in The Oklahoma System of Higher Education who is on the teacher education faculty, and
- g. two public school teachers who are employees of an Oklahoma public school district;

4. The ex officio, nonvoting members shall include the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Chancellor of Higher Education, the Director of the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education and the Secretary of Education or their designees.

B. 1. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed actual and necessary expenses

incurred in the performance of their duties, as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

2. The Commission shall hold meetings as necessary at a place and time fixed by the Commission. The first meeting of the Commission, which shall be held on or after July 1, 1995, shall be called by the Executive Director of the Commission. At the first meeting, the Commission shall select one of the members to serve as chair and another member to serve as vice-chair. At the first ensuing meeting in each fiscal year thereafter, the chair and vice-chair for the ensuing year shall be elected. Special meetings may be called by the chair or by five members of the Commission by delivery of written notice to each member of the Commission. A majority of the voting members of the Commission shall be present at the meeting to constitute a quorum of the Commission.

3. The Commission may promulgate rules and set fees pursuant to the purposes of this act.

4. The Commission shall assist the State Board of Education and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education in conducting necessary reviews and planning activities related to the purposes of this act. The Commission shall provide a public forum for receiving comments and disseminating information to the public and the education community regarding the purposes of this act. The Commission shall have the authority to make recommendations to and otherwise consult with the State Board of Education, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the Oklahoma State Board of Vocational and Technical Education, the Education Oversight Board and the Legislature on matters which relate to the purposes of this act.

5. The terms of the members shall begin July 1 of the applicable year.

C. Members serving on the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation on July 1, 1995, shall cease to be members on that date.

If qualifications allow, all initial appointments shall be from among the membership of the Commission serving prior to January 1, 1995. Appointing authorities shall seek to provide a broad geographic representation of the members serving on the Commission.

D. The Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation may contract for services or employ staff, as needed, to fulfill its duties and responsibilities. The Commission may enter into a contract which includes an agreement with a state agency, board or commission to provide administrative support to the Commission. The Commission may accept federal grants and other federal funds to carry out the purposes of the Commission.

E. Members of the Commission shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 6 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes, which prohibits the holding of any other office during the member's term of office on the Commission.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 3905, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 252, O.S.L. 1995 (74 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 3905), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3905. The following statutory entities and their successors shall be terminated on July 1, ~~1998~~ 2004, and all powers, duties and functions shall be abolished one (1) year thereafter:

1. State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors as created by Section 475.3 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

2. Oklahoma Accountancy Board as created by Section 15.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

3. The Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects and Landscape Architects of Oklahoma as created by Section 46.4 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4. Oklahoma State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors as created by Section 396 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

5. Contingency Review Board as created by Section 3605 of this title;

6. Long-Term Care Facility Advisory Board as created by Section 1-1923 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

7. Eldercare Program Advisory Committee as created by Section 1-111.1 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~8. Oklahoma Independent Energy Resources Board as created by Section 288.3 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes;~~

~~9. Commission on Marginally Producing Oil and Gas Wells as created by Section 700 of Title 52 of the Oklahoma Statutes;~~

~~10.~~ 9. State Data Processing and Telecommunications Advisory Committee as created by Section 41.5n of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~11.~~ 10. Minority Teacher Recruitment Advisory Committee as created by Section 6-130 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~12.~~ 11. Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation as created by Section ~~6-178~~ 6-199 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~13. Group Homes for Developmentally Disabled or Physically Handicapped Persons Advisory Board as created by Section 1-818.4 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and~~

~~14.~~ 12. Interdisciplinary Council on the Prevention of Juvenile Sex Offenses as created by Section ~~4~~ 1507.28 of ~~this act~~ Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

13. Task Force on Perinatal Substance Abuse as created by Section 1-239 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1998.

SECTION 4. 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.

