

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1019

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1019 -- By ERWIN and TURNER.

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 8, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1992, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 6-199), which relates to the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation; setting termination date for the Commission; amending 74 O.S. 1991, Section 3904, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 34, O.S.L. 1997 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 3904), which relates to the 2003 Sunset list; and adding the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 8, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1992, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 6-199), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-199. A. There is hereby created until July 1, 2003, in accordance with 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; and

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 3904, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 34, O.S.L. 1997 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 3904), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3904. The following statutory entities and their successors shall be terminated on July 1, 2003, and all powers, duties and functions shall be abolished one (1) year thereafter:

1. State Board of Cosmetology as created by Section 199.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
2. State Barber Advisory Board as created by Section 61.4 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
3. Oklahoma Real Estate Commission as created by Section 858-201 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
4. State Board of Examiners of Psychologists as created by Section 1354 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
5. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Training, Treatment and Rehabilitation Authority as created by Section 3-404 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes;
6. Scenic River Commission as created by Section 1461 of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
7. Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advisory Committee as created by Section 3-312 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes; ~~and~~
8. State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision as created by Section 481 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and
9. Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation as created by Section 6-199 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, dated 2-16-99 -- DO PASS, As Coauthored.