

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 48th Legislature (2002)

SENATE BILL 1506

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; establishing method of meeting certain federal requirement; requiring certain teachers to successfully complete certain test by the end of the 2005-2006 school year; establishing certain penalty for any public school employing certain teachers beginning July 1, 2006; requiring State Department of Education to issue certain report; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-187.1 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. To meet the federal requirement that all public school teachers in core academic subjects be highly qualified by the end of the 2005-2006 school year as enacted by House Resolution No. 1 of the 107th Congress, P.L. No. 107-110, all school district boards of education shall ensure that all teachers of core academic subjects have successfully completed the appropriate Oklahoma Subject Area Test as provided for in Section 6-187 in Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes for all subjects taught by the teacher.

B. Beginning July 1, 2006, any public school employing a teacher of any core academic subject who has not successfully completed the appropriate Oklahoma Subject Area Test for all subjects taught by the teacher shall receive a deficiency on the school's accreditation status report.

C. Beginning December 31, 2002, the State Department of Education shall issue an annual report to the members of the

education committees of the Oklahoma Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives on the progress of the public schools in meeting the requirements of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2002.

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