

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 48th Legislature (2001)

SENATE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION 5

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A Concurrent Resolution expressing legislative intent to bring state and education employee salaries up to the national average.

WHEREAS, noted economists tell us that investment in recruiting and retaining the best teachers will be a key to new jobs and higher incomes; and

WHEREAS, investment in state employees who create and maintain the necessary transportation systems, public safety, and environmental conditions contributes greatly to the expansion of new and existing business in this state; and

WHEREAS, the national average for teacher pay is \$40,582.00 and the national average for state employee pay is \$33,875.00; and

WHEREAS, the bottom ten states in personal income, including Oklahoma, pay on average only 81% of the national average teacher salary; and

WHEREAS, the bottom ten states in personal income, including Oklahoma, pay on average only 86% of the national average state employee salary; and

WHEREAS, bringing these vital workers' salaries to the national average could enhance the economic future of Oklahoma citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT, the Legislature make a concerted effort to raise state and education employee salaries to the national average.

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