

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Sections 6-101.22, 6-101.24 and 6-101.26, as amended by Section 9, Chapter 434, O.S.L. 2003 (70 O.S. Supp. 2003, Section 6-101.26), which relate to the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990; adding cause for dismissal of career teacher; establishing abandonment of duty as cause for termination; specifying nonapplicability of certain provisions in cases of abandonment; providing substitute procedure for certain notification; specifying certain information, time period, and documentation; authorizing immediate suspension of teacher without pay in certain situation; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 6-101.46, which relates to procedures for disciplinary actions for support employees; establishing abandonment of duty as basis for dismissal of support employee; specifying notification procedure; authorizing immediate suspension without pay in certain situation; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.