

ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 974

By: Wilson, Lawler and Garrison
of the Senate

and

Sherrer of the House

[schools - reasonable assurance of employment -
effective date -

emergency]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 6-101.45, is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-101.45 A. 1. A school district, no later than ten (10) days after the effective date of the education appropriation bill or June 1, whichever is later, shall give reasonable assurance of employment in writing to any support employee that the school intends to employ for the subsequent school year.

~~B.~~ 2. This ~~section~~ subsection shall not be construed to nullify the provisions of Sections ~~24-133 through 24-137~~ 6-101.40 and 6-101.43 through 6-101.47 of this title or be construed to deprive any employee that the district is considering not employing for the subsequent year of any rights provided in such sections.

B. Contingent on the availability of funds appropriated for the purposes of this subsection, for the 2005-2006 school year, each school district shall provide to every support employee a wage increase equivalent to five percent (5%) over the base amount the employee earned during the 2004-2005 school year if the support employee is employed by the same school district for the 2005-2006 school year. The increase prescribed by this subsection shall be in addition to any other compensation and fringe benefits mandated by

law or collective bargaining agreement, unless the hours or duties of the support employee are reduced proportionately.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. 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.

Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2005.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives