

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 1958

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 13-105, which relates to qualifications of special education teachers and support personnel; clarifying statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 13-105, is amended to read as follows:

Section 13-105. A. The State Board of Education is hereby authorized in accordance with state and federal law to determine and prescribe the qualifications of ~~all persons~~ any person who ~~teach~~ teaches children with disabilities, to define, classify and determine standards of eligibility of all children with disabilities to receive special education and related services, to fix minimum requirements for special education and related services of children with disabilities, and to make such rules as it deems necessary for the teaching of children with disabilities.

B. The State Board of Education shall offer all support personnel, including but not limited to assistants who work with a trained paraprofessional or special education teacher for children with multiple disabilities or deaf-blindness, the same training and education as the trained paraprofessional is required to complete.

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

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