

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1111

By: Bengé and Miller of the
House

6 and

7 Crutchfield, Johnson
(Mike), Adelson and Myers
8 of the Senate

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to schools; requiring certain
12 reports; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 6-197, which
13 relates to teacher licensure and certification;
14 clarifying term; providing for noncodification;
15 providing an effective date; and declaring an
16 emergency.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
19 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

20 The State Board of Education shall annually provide a report to
21 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro
22 Tempore of the Senate describing the consolidations funded through
23 the School Consolidation Assistance Fund as created in Section 7-203
24 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 6-197, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 6-197. A. All students graduating from an accredited
4 institution of higher education approved or accredited by the
5 Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation for the preparation of
6 educational personnel on or after September 1, 1999, and seeking to
7 enter the public education system as a teacher shall be subject to
8 the assessment, certification and licensing procedures established
9 in the Oklahoma Teacher Preparation Act. Except as provided for in
10 subsection B of this section, all students graduating from an
11 accredited institution of higher education prior to September 1,
12 1999, and seeking to enter the public education system as a teacher
13 shall be subject to the assessment, licensing and certification
14 requirements in effect before July 1, 1997.

15 B. Any person who graduates from an accredited institution of
16 higher education prior to September 1, 1999, and seeks certification
17 or endorsement subsequent to September 1, 1999, to teach a subject
18 area ~~which~~ that the teacher was not certified to teach prior to
19 September 1, 1999, following completion of the required higher
20 education shall be required to successfully complete the competency
21 examination for such subject area prior to receiving such
22 certification or endorsement.

23 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2007.
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1 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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