

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 3029</b>
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**Bill Summary**

Research Analyst: Dawn Marks

The conference committee substitute for House Bill 3029 restores the title and removes language that would have allowed school districts to temporarily exceed class size requirements and delay filling the mentor teacher position for the teacher residency program. It also removes language that would have allowed school districts to disregard library media specialist staffing requirements without receiving a penalty in the accreditation process.

The substitute also allows school districts to not adopt professional development plans or offer programs for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, and June 30, 2012, and to spend the money that would have funded the programs for support and maintenance of the school district.

It instructs the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation not to pay scholarships or National Board certification application fees for teachers qualifying for the commission's Education Leadership Oklahoma program after June 30, 2010, through June 30, 2012.

The conference committee substitute instructs the State Board of Education not to provide a \$5,000 bonus from June 30, 2010 through June 30, 2012, to any teacher who attains National Board certification after June 30, 2010, through June 30, 2012. The board shall provide a bonus to any teacher who attains National Board certification after June 30, 2010, if the teacher started the certification program before June 30, 2010.

It also instructs the State Textbook Committee to suspend the textbook selection process before September 1, 2010, and to extend by at least two years the adoption period of the books already on the state adopted list for the purpose of delaying for two years the six-year adoption cycle.

The measure allows school districts to disregard media program expenditure standards for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, and June 30, 2012, without receiving a deficiency in the accreditation process or being assessed a penalty.

The State Board of Education shall not assess a financial penalty against any school district receiving a deficiency in accreditation status for those two fiscal years. For those two fiscal years, school districts shall be exempt from forming advisory councils or committees including the council required when preparing a school improvement plan.

School districts are exempt from appointing a textbook committee for those fiscal years and may spend textbook allocations for support and maintenance of school districts.

A municipality may support a school district that is in a municipality completely surrounded by that municipality. Support may include municipal revenues for construction or improvement of school facilities.

### **Fiscal Summary**

Fiscal Analyst: Nicole Barnes

The CCS for HB 3029 contains a number of provisions relating to educational-related statutory requirements and related financial penalties during fiscal years 2011 and 2012, including prohibiting denial or withdrawal of a school's accreditation for failure to meet media equipment and program expenditure standards, prohibiting financial penalties for specific accreditation deficiencies, exempting districts from participation in advisory councils and committees, permitting districts to not adopt certain professional development programs and instead use the allocated monies elsewhere, placing a moratorium on new Education Leadership Oklahoma/National Board Certification scholarships and bonuses, and exempting districts from textbook adoption and allocation requirements.

### **Fiscal Analysis**

Provisions of the measure allow school districts greater financial flexibility within these programs for fiscal years 2011 and 2012, but do not require additional state appropriations.

### **Long Term Fiscal Considerations**

None

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