STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

SENATE BILL 316 By: Ford

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to teacher evaluations; directing teachers receiving certain ratings under the Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System to receive certain bonus payments; providing the source of bonus payments; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-204.4, as amended by Section 601, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (70 O.S. Supp. 2012, Section 6-204.4), which relates to the Oklahoma National Board Certification Revolving Fund; renaming the revolving fund; modifying purpose of the fund; directing appropriation of funds; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 18-114.14 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Upon full implementation of the Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System, created pursuant to Section 6-101.16 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, TLE Value Added Bonus Awards shall be provided as follows:

1. Teachers receiving a rating of "superior" shall receive a bonus payment of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00); and

2. Teachers receiving a rating of "highly effective" shall receive a bonus payment of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00).

B. Bonus payments shall be provided each year to a teacher receiving a rating of "superior" or "highly effective" under the Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System.

C. Bonus payments provided for in subsection A of this section shall be paid from the Oklahoma Teacher Performance Pay Revolving Fund.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-204.4, as amended by Section 601, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (70 O.S. Supp. 2012, Section 6-204.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-204.4. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the State Board of Education to be designated the ~~"Oklahoma National Board Certification Revolving Fund"~~ "Oklahoma Teacher Performance Pay Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies appropriated or transferred to the fund by the Legislature. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the State Board of Education to provide an annual bonus for those teachers possessing National Board certification. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer

against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment. The State Board of Education shall transfer all funds deposited into the Oklahoma National Board Certification Revolving Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, to the Education Leadership Oklahoma Revolving Fund, created in Section 6-204.3 of this title, less expenditures and encumbrances as adjusted by transfer on July 1, 1998. All monies remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year, after all National Board certification bonuses are paid, shall be eligible to be expended by the State Board of Education for payment of the TLE Value Added Bonus Awards provided for in Section 1 of this act.

B. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Legislature shall appropriate Fifteen Million Dollars ($15,000,000.00) to be deposited into the Oklahoma Teacher Performance Pay Revolving Fund for the purposes outlined in subsection A of this section.

C. If funds are inadequate to provide the bonuses outlined in subsection A of this section, bonuses shall be provided on a pro rata basis.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2013.

SECTION 4. 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.

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