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PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.3, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.3), which relates to teacher contract definitions; modifying definitions; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.10, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.10), which relates to teacher evaluation policies; modifying reference to a written policy of evaluation; deleting certain criteria; deleting certain implementation schedule; requiring policies to include certain components; listing criteria for the evaluation component; listing criteria for the professional development component; requiring school districts to monitor compliance; making certain professional development count towards the total required number of professional development points; stating construction; providing examples of professional development learning practices; providing for additional components and procedures; describing a student learning component or quantitative measure; describing a teacher and administrator professionalism component; authorizing boards of education to include a certain rating system; directing school districts to define the rating levels; encouraging school districts to seek certain input; modifying and adding certain requirements for policies of evaluation and corresponding professional development; deleting references to state guidelines, materials and criteria; deleting certain Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) study requirement; deleting certain deadline; amending 70

O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.13, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.13), which relates to due process procedures for administrators; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.22, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.22), which relates to the grounds for dismissal or nonreemployment of teachers; deleting requirements for dismissal or nonreemployment based on certain TLE ratings; repealing 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.16, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.16), which relates to the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System; repealing 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.17, which relates to the Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Commission; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.3, as

last amended by Section 1, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.

2015, Section 6-101.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-101.3 As used in Section 6-101 et seq. of this title:

- 1. "Administrator" means a duly certified person who devotes a majority of time to service as a superintendent, elementary superintendent, principal, supervisor, vice principal or in any other administrative or supervisory capacity in the school district;
- 2. "Dismissal" means the discontinuance of the teaching service of an administrator or teacher during the term of a written contract, as provided by law;

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3. "Nonreemployment" means the nonrenewal of the contract of an administrator or teacher upon expiration of the contract;

4. "Career teacher" means a teacher who:

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- for teachers employed by a school district prior to

 full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

 Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in

 Section 6-101.10 of this title, has completed three

 (3) or more consecutive complete school years as a teacher in one school district under a written continuing or temporary teaching contract, or
- b. for teachers employed for the first time by a school district under a written continuing or temporary teaching contract after full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in Section 6-101.10 of this title:
 - (1) has completed three (3) consecutive complete
 school years as a teacher in one school district
 under a written continuing or temporary teaching
 contract and has achieved qualitative and
 quantitative ratings of "superior" as measured
 pursuant to the TLE as set forth in Section 6101.16 of this title for at least two (2) of the

three (3) school years, with no rating below "effective",

- (2) has completed four (4) consecutive complete
 school years as a teacher in one school district
 under a written continuing or temporary teaching
 contract, has averaged qualitative and
 quantitative ratings of at least "effective" as
 measured pursuant to the TLE for the four-year
 period, and has received qualitative and
 quantitative ratings of at least "effective" for
 the last two (2) years of the four-year period,
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- complete school years in one school district

 under a written continuing or temporary teaching

 contract and has not met the requirements of

 subparagraph a or b of this paragraph, only if

 the principal of the school at which the teacher

 is employed submits a petition to the

 superintendent of the school district requesting

 that the teacher be granted career status, the

 superintendent agrees with the petition, and the

 school district board of education approves the

 petition. The principal shall specify in the

petition the underlying facts supporting the granting of career status to the teacher;

5. "Teacher hearing" means the hearing before a school district board of education after a recommendation for dismissal or nonreemployment of a teacher has been made but before any final action is taken on the recommendation, held for the purpose of affording the teacher all rights guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the Constitution of Oklahoma under circumstances and for enabling the board to determine whether to approve or disapprove the recommendation;

6. "Probationary teacher" means a teacher who:

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- for teachers employed by a school district prior to

 full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

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 Section 6-101.10 of this title, has completed fewer

 than three (3) consecutive complete school years as a

 teacher in one school district under a written

 teaching contract, or
- b. for teachers employed for the first time by a school

 district under a written teaching contract after full

 implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

 Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in

 Section 6-101.10 of this title, has not met the

requirements for career teacher as provided in

paragraph 4 of this section;

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- 7. "Suspension" or "suspended" means the temporary discontinuance of the services of an administrator or teacher, as provided by law; and
- 8. "Teacher" means a duly certified person who is employed to serve as a counselor, librarian or school nurse or in any instructional capacity; an administrator shall be considered a teacher only with regard to service in an instructional, nonadministrative capacity.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.10, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.10), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-101.10 A. Each school district board of education shall maintain and annually review, following consultation with or involvement of representatives selected by local teachers, a written policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development for all teachers and administrators. In those school districts in which there exists a professional negotiations agreement made in accordance with Section 509.1 et seq. of this title, the procedure for evaluating members of the negotiations unit and any standards of

performance and conduct proposed for adoption beyond those established by the State Board of Education shall be negotiable items. Nothing in this section shall be construed to annul, modify or to preclude the renewal or continuing of any existing agreement heretofore entered into between any school district and any organizational representative of its employees.

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- B. Every policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development adopted by a board of education of a school district shall:
- 1. Be based upon a set of minimum criteria developed by the State Board of Education, which shall be revised and based upon the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) developed by the State Board of Education as provided in Section 6-101.16 of this title. The revisions to each policy of evaluation shall be phased in according to the following schedule:
 - a. for evaluations of teachers and administrators

 conducted during the 2012-2013 school year, school

 districts shall for purposes of testing the TLE

 incorporate on a trial basis the qualitative

 components of the TLE as provided for in subparagraph

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 of this title into the evaluations used in all or a

 representative sampling of school sites within the

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components of the TLE as provided for in subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 6-101.16 of this title into the evaluations used in all or a representative sampling of school sites within the

conducted during the 2013-2014 school year, school districts shall incorporate and put into operation the qualitative components of the TLE as provided for in subparagraph b of paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 6-101.16 of this title into the evaluations used in all school sites within the district. For the 2013-2014 school year the evaluation rating of teachers and administrators shall be based on the qualitative component of the TLE. In addition, for evaluations of teachers and administrators conducted during the 2013-2014 school year, school districts shall for purposes of testing the TLE incorporate on a trial basis the quantitative components of the TLE as provided for in subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 6-101.16 of this title into the evaluations used in all or a representative sampling of school sites within the district.

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However, nothing in this subparagraph shall preclude a school district with an average daily attendance of more than thirty-five thousand (35,000) from incorporating at its own expense the quantitative components of the TLE into its evaluation system of teachers and administrators, as defined by the district's written policy, during the 2013-2014 school year,

for evaluations of teachers and administrators conducted during the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years, school districts shall for purposes of establishing baseline data incorporate the quantitative components of the TLE as provided for in subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 6-101.16 of this title into the evaluations used in all school sites within the district. For the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years, the evaluation rating of teachers and administrators shall be based on the qualitative component of the TLE. However, nothing in this subparagraph shall preclude a school district with an average daily attendance of more than thirty-five thousand (35,000) from incorporating at its own expense the quantitative components of the TLE into its evaluation system of teachers and

administrators, as defined by the district's written

policy, during the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school

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- d. for evaluations of teachers and administrators conducted during the 2016-2017 school year and each school year thereafter, school districts shall fully implement the TLE and incorporate and put into operation both the qualitative and quantitative components of the TLE as provided for in paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 6-101.16 of this title into the evaluations used in all school sites within the district. For the 2016-2017 school year and each school year thereafter, teachers and administrators shall receive a qualitative rating based on the qualitative component of the TLE; rating based on the quantitative component of the TLE;
- be a reflective practice model of teacher and administrator professionalism which includes an evaluation component and a professional development component.
- C. The evaluation component of every policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development adopted by a board of education shall:
- 1. Incorporate a qualitative assessment tool or tools. The qualitative assessment tool or tools may be any methods developed or

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- 2 this act for purposes of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader
- 3 Effectiveness System which are valid, reliable, research-based and
- 4 supported by a body of evidence; and
- 5 <u>2. Provide for the development of a focused and individualized</u> 6 <u>professional development plan for the teacher or administrator that</u>
- 7 is consistent with qualitative assessment tool criteria.
- D. The professional development component of every policy of
 evaluation and corresponding professional development adopted by a
- 10 board of education shall:
- 11 1. Establish an annual growth goal for the teacher or
- 12 administrator that is developed by the teacher or administrator in
- 13 collaboration with the evaluator;
- 2. Be tailored to address a specific area or areas of need
- 15 | identified through the qualitative evaluation tool or tools
- 16 criteria;
- 3. Allow the teacher or administrator to actively engage with
- 18 learning practices that are evidence-based researched practices that
- 19 are correlated with increased student achievement; and
- 20 <u>4. Be supported by resources that are easily available and</u>
- 21 | supplied by the school district and the State Department of
- 22 Education.
- E. School districts shall monitor compliance with each
- 24 professional development plan as described in subsection D of this

- section. All professional development completed pursuant to a

 professional development plan shall count towards the total number

 of points a teacher or administrator is required to complete as

 established by the board of education of the school district

 pursuant to Section 6-194 of this title. The implementation of the

 professional development plan requirements pursuant to this section

 shall not be construed as increasing the professional development
- 9 <u>F. Professional development plans as described in subsection D</u>
 10 <u>of this section may include but are not limited to the following</u>
 11 learning practices:
- 12 | 1. Presenter-led workshops;

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- 2. Individual or faculty studies of books, scholarly articles and video productions;
 - Peer observations;
- 4. Committee studies to address student achievement issues;
- 5. Work related to a specific subject area or areas that is
 associated with obtaining an advanced degree or professional
 certification;
 - 6. Action research projects designed to improve student achievement; and
- 22 7. Participation in local, regional or state initiatives
 23 associated with the development or implementation of curriculum
 24 standards.

G. In addition to the evaluation and professional development components that are required to be included in every policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development, a board of education may adopt additional components and procedures. A board of education may include:

- 1. Student learning components or quantitative measures that are based on teacher or school district assessments developed or adopted by teachers or school districts that can be used to demonstrate student growth over one (1) academic year or multiple academic years as elected by the board of education; and
- 2. Teacher and administrator professionalism based on observable and measurable characteristics of professionalism including, but not limited to, interpersonal skills, community involvement, continuous improvement and professional growth, classroom or school organization and management skills and leadership skills.
- H. 1. Every policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development adopted by a board of education may include a five-tier rating system as follows:
 - a. superior,

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- b. highly effective,
- c. effective,
- <u>d.</u> <u>needs improvement, and</u>
 - <u>e.</u> <u>ineffective.</u>

2. School districts shall define each rating level for consistent and shared definitions.

- 3. School districts are encouraged to seek input from teachers and administrators in establishing the parameters of each rating level.
- I. Every policy of evaluation and corresponding professional development adopted by a board of education shall:
- $\frac{2}{1}$. Be prescribed in writing at the time of adoption and at all times when amendments to the policy are adopted. The original policy and all amendments to the policy shall be promptly made available to all persons subject to the policy;
- 3. 2. Provide that all evaluations be made in writing and that evaluation documents and responses thereto be maintained in a personnel file for each evaluated person;
- 4. 3. Provide that every probationary teacher receive formative feedback from the evaluation process at least two times per school year, once during the fall semester and once during the spring semester;
- 5. 4. Provide that every <u>career</u> teacher be evaluated once every year, except for career teachers receiving a qualitative rating of "superior" or "highly effective" and a quantitative rating of "superior" or "highly effective" under the TLE, who may be evaluated once every two (2) years at the discretion of the school district;

provided, that every career teacher shall participate in an annual
professional growth plan review;

- 5. Provide that every teacher who receives a rating below the acceptable level of performance as established by the board of education be provided a comprehensive remediation plan and instructional coaching; and
- 6. Provide that, except for superintendents of independent and elementary school districts and superintendents of area school districts who shall be evaluated by the school district board of education, all certified personnel shall be evaluated through formal or informal observations by a principal, assistant principal, designee of the principal, supervisor, content expert, department chair, an outside company, peer committee or other trained certified individual person or group of persons designated by the school district board of education.
- B. J. All individuals designated by the school district board of education to conduct the personnel evaluations shall be required to participate in training conducted by the State Department of Education or training provided by the school district using guidelines and materials developed by the State Department of Education prior to conducting evaluations.
- $\frac{C.}{K.}$ The State Department of Education shall develop and conduct workshops pursuant to statewide criteria which train

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1 individuals in conducting evaluations <u>pursuant to the provisions of</u>
2 this section.
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 $\overline{\text{D. L.}}$ The State Board of Education shall monitor compliance with the provisions of this section by school districts.

- E. The State Board of Education, in consultation with the

 Teacher and Leader Effectiveness Commission, shall study continued

 implementation of the TLE to produce a system that promotes

 reflection and professional growth for teachers and leaders.
- \overline{F} . \underline{M} . Refusal by a school district to comply with the provisions of this section shall be grounds for withholding State Aid funds until compliance occurs.
- $\frac{G_{\bullet}}{N_{\bullet}}$ Data collected pursuant to this section shall not be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act or the Oklahoma Open Records Act.
- H. Full implementation of the TLE for the purposes of employment shall occur during the 2017-2018 school year.
- SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.13, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.
- 19 2015, Section 6-101.13), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 6-101.13 A. Whenever the school district board of education or the administration of a school district shall determine that the dismissal or nonreemployment of a full-time certified administrator from the administrative position within the school

district should be effected, the administrator shall be entitled to the following due process procedures:

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- 1. A statement shall be submitted to the administrator in writing prior to the dismissal or nonreemployment which states the proposed action, lists the reasons for effecting the action, and notifies the administrator of his right to a hearing before the school district board of education prior to the action; and
- 2. A hearing before the school district board of education shall be granted upon the request of the administrator prior to the dismissal or nonreemployment. A request for a hearing shall be submitted to the board of education not later than ten (10) days after the administrator has been notified of the proposed action.
- B. Failure of the administrator to request a hearing before the school district board of education within ten (10) days after receiving the written statement shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing. No decision of the board of education concerning the dismissal or nonreemployment of a full-time certified administrator shall be effective until the administrator has been afforded due process as specified in this section. The decision of the school district board of education concerning the dismissal or nonreemployment, following the hearing, shall be final.
- C. After full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

 Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in Section 6
 101.10 of this title, a principal who has received qualitative and

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    quantitative ratings of "ineffective" as measured pursuant to the
    TLE as set forth in Section 6-101.16 of this title for two (2)
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    2015, Section 6-101.22), is amended to read as follows:
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        Section 6-101.22 A. Subject to the provisions of the Teacher
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    Due Process Act of 1990, a career teacher may be dismissed or not
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    reemployed for:
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            Repeated negligence in performance of duty;
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            Mental or physical abuse to a child;
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            Instructional ineffectiveness;
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Unsatisfactory teaching performance;

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B. Subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990, a probationary teacher may be dismissed or not reemployed for cause.

- C. Upon full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

 Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in Section 6
 101.10 of this title:
- 1. A career teacher who has received a qualitative and quantitative rating of "ineffective" for two (2) consecutive school years shall be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990;
- 2. A career teacher who has received a qualitative or quantitative rating of "ineffective" for two (2) consecutive school years may be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990;
- 3. A career teacher who has received a qualitative and quantitative rating of "needs improvement" or lower for three (3) consecutive school years shall be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990;
- 4. A career teacher who has received a qualitative or quantitative rating of "needs improvement" or lower for three (3)

consecutive school years may be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990;

5. A career teacher who has not averaged a qualitative and quantitative rating of at least "effective" as measured pursuant to the TLE over a five-year period shall be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990; and

6. A career teacher who has not averaged a qualitative or quantitative rating of at least "effective" as measured pursuant to the TLE over a five-year period may be dismissed or not reemployed on the grounds of instructional ineffectiveness by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990.

D. Upon full implementation of the Oklahoma Teacher and Leader

Effectiveness Evaluation System (TLE) as set forth in Section 6
101.10 of this title:

1. A probationary teacher who has received a qualitative and quantitative rating of "ineffective" as measured pursuant to the TLE for two (2) consecutive school years shall be dismissed or not reemployed by the school district subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990;

2. A probationary teacher who has received a qualitative or quantitative rating of "ineffective" as measured pursuant to the TLE for two (2) consecutive school years may be dismissed or not reemployed by the school district subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990; and

3. A probationary teacher who has not attained career teacher status within a four-year period shall be dismissed or not reemployed by the school district, subject to the provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990.

E. D. A teacher shall be dismissed or not reemployed, unless a presidential or gubernatorial pardon has been issued, if during the term of employment the teacher is convicted in this state, the United States or another state of:

- 1. Any sex offense subject to the Sex Offenders Registration
 Act in this state or subject to another state's or the federal sex
 offender registration provisions; or
 - 2. Any felony offense.

F. E. A teacher may be dismissed, refused employment or not reemployed after a finding that such person has engaged in criminal sexual activity or sexual misconduct that has impeded the effectiveness of the individual's performance of school duties. As used in this subsection:

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- 1. "Criminal sexual activity" means the commission of an act as defined in Section 886 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, which is the act of sodomy; and
- 2. "Sexual misconduct" means the soliciting or imposing of criminal sexual activity.

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- G. F. As used in this section, "abandonment of contract" means the failure of a teacher to report at the beginning of the contract term or otherwise perform the duties of a contract of employment when the teacher has accepted other employment or is performing work for another employer that prevents the teacher from fulfilling the obligations of the contract of employment.
- H. G. A school district shall notify the State
 Board of Education within ten (10) days of the
 dismissal or nonreemployment of a probationary or
 career teacher for reasons outlined in subsection F
 E of this section.
- SECTION 5. REPEALER 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.16, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-101.16), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 6. REPEALER 70 O.S. 2011, Section 6-101.17, is hereby repealed.
 - SECTION 7. This act shall become effective August 1, 2016.

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SECTION 8. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
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