

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2921 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by
inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Lisa Billy

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2921

By: Billy

PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to schools; recognizing Native American languages as a language art; authorizing the teaching of Native American languages in public schools; allowing Native American language classes to count as certain credit; allowing certain qualified teachers to teach Native American languages; 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 11-103.1a of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A Native American language is hereby recognized as a language art and may be taught in the public schools of the state in educational programs. Native American language classes taught in the public schools may be counted by a public school in fulfilling core curriculum requirements and shall be granted the same credit as

1 a world language. For the purposes of this section, Native American
2 languages may be taught in the public schools by:

3 1. Any qualified teacher who holds a valid traditional or
4 alternative Oklahoma teaching certificate; or

5 2. A teacher who holds a valid certificate in Native American
6 Languages issued by the State Board of Education and either
7 qualifies for an Alternative Placement Teaching Certificate or is
8 supervised by a teacher who is highly qualified in the content area
9 for the appropriate level of instruction.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2014.

11 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
12 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
13 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
14 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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