

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1318

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 26 O.S. 2011,
8 Section 13A-106, which relates to eligibility to be
9 candidate for school board and to vote; providing
10 exception for candidate eligibility requirement for
11 districts that have been annexed or consolidated; and
12 providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 13A-106, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 13A-106. A. To be eligible to be a candidate for
17 member of the board of education of a school district or technology
18 center school district, a person must have resided in the district
19 or, if the board seat is in an independent district, have resided in
20 that district for at least six (6) months preceding the first day of
21 the filing period, and have been a registered voter registered with
22 the county election board at an address located within the
23 geographical boundaries of the district for six (6) months preceding
24 the first day of the filing period. Beginning May 1, 1990, no

1 person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or elected to be a
2 member of the board of education of a school district or technology
3 center school district unless the person has been awarded a high
4 school diploma or certificate of high school equivalency. In school
5 districts that are divided into election districts, a candidate must
6 have resided in the district for at least six (6) months preceding
7 the first day of the filing period and have been a registered voter
8 registered with the county election board at an address located
9 within the geographical boundaries of the election district for six
10 (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period. Beginning
11 May 1, 1990, no person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or
12 elected to be a member of the board of education unless the person
13 has been awarded a high school diploma or certificate of high school
14 equivalency.

15 B. The requirement that a candidate for member of a board of
16 education of a school district or technology center school district
17 resides and has been a registered voter in the district for at least
18 (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period as set forth
19 in subsection A of this section shall not apply in the event the
20 district has been annexed or consolidated, provided that the
21 candidate resides and is a registered voter in the district on the
22 first day of the filing period.

23 C. To be eligible to vote in a school district election or a
24 technology center school district election, a person must be

1 registered with the county election board at an address located
2 within the geographical boundaries of the district. To be eligible
3 to vote in an election district election within a school district, a
4 person must be registered with the county election board at an
5 address located within the geographical boundaries of the election
6 district.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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