

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 3966
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Impact:	NBCT Stipends: \$5,260,000 NBCT Renewal Fees: \$225,000

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for HB 3966 directs the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability to reward teachers who are renewing their National Board Teaching Certification by paying for a portion of their renewal application. The number of teachers who can receive financial assistance for renewal is capped at 300 per fiscal year. The total amount paid by the OEQA shall not exceed \$750 per applicant.

The measure also eliminates the salary schedule specific to teachers who have attained National Board Certification, and directs the OEQA to provide National Board Certified teachers with a \$5,000 bonus annually for the duration of their certification. School districts are required to pay the full \$5,000 bonus even if the district already pays above the salary schedule.

Further, HB 3966 authorizes the OEQA to use money from the “Education Leadership Oklahoma Revolving Fund” to provide the annual bonuses and financial assistance for certificate renewal. The State Board of Education is directed to promulgate rules for verifying that a teacher is still employed by a public school.

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Fiscal Analysis

It is anticipated that the portion of the renewal fees covered by the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability for no more than 300 applicants at no more than \$750.00 each will result in an impact of \$225,000. In addition, the costs related to the National Board certification stipends would have an impact of approximately \$5,260,000 each fiscal year.

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Other Considerations

None.