

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2693
Version:	FA1
Request Number:	7895
Author:	Rep. Hasenbeck
Date:	3/10/2021
Impact:	Restores 5 year \$5000 Bonus for National Board Certified Teachers

**\$1,949,250 to be appropriated
By the legislature**

**\$1,949,250 to be paid for
Through charter school sponsorship fee**

Research Analysis

The Floor substitute for HB 2693 allows any college or university within the State System of Higher Education to sponsor a charter school.

The college or university shall be allowed to keep 3 percent of the charter school's state aid allocation as an administrative fee. However, a portion of the 3 percent administrative fee shall be retained by the State Department of Education and deposited in to the National Board Certification Incentive Revolving Fund, created in the bill. The amount retained from the administrative fee shall be calculated annually by the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA).

The calculation for the amount retained shall be based on a proportional share of the cumulative charter school sponsorship fees received by colleges and universities for the year, and the total amount shall be enough to fund 50% of the National Board certification bonuses for the year.

Further, the measure eliminates the National Board Certification salary schedule and requires the OEQA to provide a \$5,000 annual bonus to teachers who attain National Board certification, for the duration of the certification.

The OEQA is also required to select up to 300 teachers who are seeking to renew their National Board Certification each year, and to pay for a portion of their renewal application fee. The total amount paid per applicant shall not exceed 750 dollars.

The measure transfers the Education Leadership Oklahoma Revolving Fund to OEQA, and allows monies in the fund to be used for certification renewal fees and bonuses to qualified teachers.

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Fiscal Analysis

As written, the measure will restore stipends for National Board Certified Teachers for a period of five years and will provide for a portion of the fee needed in order to apply for the program. The measure establishes the National Board Certification Incentive Revolving Fund within the State Department of Education for the purposes of distributing bonuses to National Board Certified personnel.

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Other Considerations

None.