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Bill Analysis

SB 1447 modifies school district board of education instruction requirements. It removes language requiring board members to complete 12 hours of instruction in 15 months and instead allows a board member to complete 3 hours of instruction in 6 months, including 1 hour in school finance, 1 hour on the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, and 1 hour in school law and ethics. It removes language allowing training to be provided by an organization approved by the State Board of Education. It removes language requiring records of instruction completion to be included in a school board's minutes. It removes language directing a board of education to declare a member's seat vacant if he or she has not completed instruction requirements. It removes language directing the State Department of Education to maintain permanent records of school board member instruction. The bill also requires each school district to maintain and post on its website records of attendance for board members at the three hours of allowed training. It removes language directing the State Board of Education to notify board members of any final opportunity to complete instructional requirements. The measure also repeals a section of law relating to continuing education requirements for board members.

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