

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

SENATE BILL 1631

By: Pugh

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to teachers; directing the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability to establish certain mentor teacher training program; providing duration of pilot program; providing definition; providing purpose and goal of pilot program; directing certain stipend to be provided to certain mentor teachers subject to availability of funding; requiring administration of certain surveys; directing the Commission to submit certain report by certain date; providing for contents of report; providing for promulgation of rules; 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 3-116.6 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall establish a two-year pilot program for mentor teacher training with the goal of retaining teachers in this state. For the purposes of this section, "mentor teacher" shall have the same meaning as provided for in Section 6-182 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

1 B. The pilot program shall provide mentor teachers, who have
2 taught for at least five (5) years, with coaching tools to guide,
3 support, and assist teachers who have been employed by a public
4 school district in this state for one year in the areas of classroom
5 management, curriculum, differentiation of instruction, and other
6 pedagogical techniques. The goal of the pilot program shall be to
7 provide training to one mentor teacher from each school district in
8 this state over the two-year period.

9 C. Subject to the availability of funds, mentor teachers who
10 complete the training pilot program created by this section shall be
11 provided a one-time stipend of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00).

12 D. The Commission shall administer an introductory survey and
13 an exit survey to teachers placed under the mentorship of a mentor
14 teacher who completed the training pilot program created by this
15 section. The Commission shall create a standardized survey form to
16 measure a teacher's mentorship experience.

17 E. By July 1, 2026, the Commission shall submit a report to the
18 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
19 Representatives, and the chairs of the education committees in the
20 Senate and House of Representatives. The report shall include but
21 not be limited to aggregate data from the surveys administered
22 pursuant to subsection D of this section and recommendations
23 regarding continuation or expansion of the pilot program.

1 F. The Commission shall promulgate rules to implement the
2 provisions of this section.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

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

8
9 58-2-2866 EB 1/20/2022 3:02:08 PM
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25