

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB3409 \_\_\_\_\_ Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu  
thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment submitted by: Ronald Stewart

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 3409

5 By: Stewart

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to child care; providing that certain  
10 child care programs shall be deemed to have met all  
11 quality standards required under the Quality Rating  
12 and Improvement System; providing that program shall  
13 not be subject to additional standards; prohibiting  
the Department of Human Services from imposing  
certain standards, requirements, and assessments;  
authorizing the Department to verify accreditation  
status through certain documents; providing for  
codification; and providing an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 426 of Title 10, unless there is  
19 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. Any child care program licensed by the Department of Human  
21 Services and rated as a Five Star program that has been awarded and  
22 maintains active national accreditation by a nationally recognized  
23 accrediting body approved by the Department shall be deemed to have

1 met all quality standards required under the Quality Rating and  
2 Improvement System (QRIS) except Master Teacher requirements.

3       B. A program described in subsection A of this section shall  
4 not be subject to additional quality standards or QRIS evaluation  
5 visits beyond those required for licensure, provided the program  
6 maintains its accreditation in good standing.

7       C. The Department shall not impose duplicative standards,  
8 documentation requirements, assessments, or site visits for purposes  
9 of QRIS participation in a nationally accredited program.

10      D. The Department may verify accreditation status through  
11 documentation provided by the program that the accrediting body  
12 provides to the program.

13       SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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