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Bill Analysis

SB 1718 directs the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, to establish the Oklahoma Principal Leadership Development Program to provide a principal leadership framework. Beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, it directs the Department to publish a professional development plan for principals that provides learning guidelines and goals. Beginning in the 2027-2028 school year, it directs each new principal to work with a principal mentor for 2 consecutive years. And, beginning with the 2028-2029 school year, it directs the Department, in collaboration with OEQA and the State Regents, to develop a year-long principal leadership academy. The measure also directs the Department to provide a \$5,000.00 stipend, subject to funding, to new principals who complete certain professional development and mentorship requirements and are employed by a public school district. It also directs the Department to provide a \$5,000.00 stipend, subject to funding, to certified principals who complete the principal leadership academy and are employed by a public school district.

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