

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 840 By: Hicks of the Senate  
3 and  
4 Moore of the House  
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7 An Act relating to teachers; directing the Commission  
8 for Educational Quality and Accountability to  
9 promulgate rules establishing certain micro-  
10 credential; establishing minimum requirements for  
11 micro-credential; authorizing a certified teacher  
12 with certain micro-credential to assess students for  
13 and diagnose dyslexia; directing certain micro-  
14 credential to be reflected on certain certificate;  
15 providing for codification; providing an effective  
16 date; and declaring an emergency.

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24 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause, and entire bill  
and insert:

25 "[ teachers - Commission for Educational Quality and  
26 Accountability - rules - micro-credential -  
27 requirements - certified teacher - dyslexia -  
28 certificate - codification - effective date -  
29 emergency ]

30 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 7002 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall promulgate rules establishing a micro-credential for certified teachers who complete Certified Academic Language Therapist (CALT) certification or Center for Effective Reading Instruction (CERI).

B. The requirements for a CALT micro-credential or a CERI micro-credential shall include at a minimum:

1. A master's degree;
2. Completion of a comprehensive therapy-level training;
3. Successful passage of a CALT competency examination or CERI competency examination; and
4. Twenty-eight (28) days of instruction post the passage of the applicable competency examination.

C. A certified teacher who earns a CALT micro-credential or a CERI micro-credential shall be authorized to screen students for and identify characteristics of dyslexia.

D. A micro-credential awarded pursuant to this section shall be reflected on a teacher's certificate to teach.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval."

3 Passed the House of Representatives the 29th day of April, 2025.

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6 Presiding Officer of the House of  
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8 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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SECTION 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

Passed the Senate the 27th day of March, 2025.

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