

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 794

By: Seifried of the Senate

3 and

4 Lowe (Dick) of the House

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6 An Act relating to teacher preparation; directing the
7 Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability
8 to establish student teaching requirements; defining
9 term; providing for promulgation of rules; providing
10 for codification; providing an effective date; and
11 declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-187E of Title 70, unless there
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability
17 shall establish student teaching requirements for teacher candidates
18 who are enrolled in an educator preparation program accredited by
19 the Commission. The requirements shall include:

20 1. Completion of a minimum number of weeks of field experience;
21 or

22 2. Completion of a qualified job-embedded, competency-based
23 teacher registered apprenticeship program. For the purposes of this
24 section, "teacher registered apprenticeship program" means a

1 structured program that combines on-the-job training with academic
2 instruction to prepare individuals to become teachers.

3 B. The Commission shall promulgate rules to implement the
4 provisions of this act.

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

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

10 Passed the Senate the 11th day of March, 2025.

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13 Presiding Officer of the Senate

14 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
15 2025.

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