

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 29

By: Brecheen of the Senate

and

Denney of the House

An Act relating to teacher certification; directing the State Department of Education to provide certain written notice to individuals whose license or certificate expired on certain date; providing for renewal of expired licenses and certificates if application is submitted by certain date; providing for effective dates of renewal applications; providing for processing fees for renewal applications on expired licenses and certificates; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Teacher certification

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 6-108.1 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No later than October 1 of each year, the State Department of Education shall provide written notice to the last-known address of any individual who held any license or certificate issued by the State Board of Education which expired on June 30 of the same year. Notice shall also be provided to the last-known district which employed any such individual.

B. If any individual whose license or certificate issued by the State Board of Education has expired submits a renewal application and processing fee by December 31 of the year in which the license or certificate has expired, such license or certificate shall be renewed with an effective date of July 1 of the year in which the license or certificate has expired, unless other statutory basis exists for denying such renewal.

C. If any individual whose license or certificate issued by the State Board of Education has expired submits a renewal application and processing fee after December 31 of the year in which the license or certificate has expired, such license or certificate shall be renewed with an effective date in accordance with State Department of Education rules, unless another statutory basis exists for denying such renewal.

D. The processing fee for late renewal of a license or certificate shall not exceed one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the standard renewal processing fee for renewal applications submitted by December 31 of the year in which the license or certificate has expired, or two hundred percent (200%) of the standard renewal processing fee for renewal applications submitted after December 31 of the year in which the license or certificate has expired.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and 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 5th day of May, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 8th day of April, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this _____

day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

By: _____

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this _____

day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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By: _____