

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1886

By: Waldron and Ranson of the
House

and

Pemberton of the Senate

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to teacher certification; requiring the State Department of Education to code initial teacher certification; creating the Data Governance Council; prescribing duties of Council; providing for membership; establishing deadlines for initial appointment and meeting of Council; prescribing frequency of meetings; setting meeting quorum requirement; providing staffing and support for Council; prohibiting compensation for members of Council; subjecting Council to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and Oklahoma Open Records Act; providing exemption from dual office-holding prohibitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-188.1 of Title 70, unless
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 The State Department of Education shall develop a system to code
5 initial teacher certification in order to report data on the
6 pathways for initial teacher certification, including emergency
7 certification and alternative certification.

8 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-188.2 of Title 70, unless
10 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 A. There is hereby created the Data Governance Council.

12 B. The Council shall:

13 1. Monitor and evaluate the impact of each teacher
14 certification pathway, including emergency certification and
15 alternative certification, as reported by the State Department of
16 Education pursuant to Section 1 of this act, on education outcomes
17 in this state;

18 2. Identify essential data elements indicative of teacher
19 workforce quality and ensure these elements are appropriately
20 defined and standardized for acceptable uses across certification
21 pathways; and

22 3. Establish best practices in data management and storage
23 processes to ensure security, privacy, and appropriate integration.

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1 C. The Council shall be comprised of thirteen (13) members as
2 follows:

3 1. The Chancellor of Higher Education, or designee;

4 2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or designee;

5 3. The Executive Director of the Office of Educational Quality
6 and Accountability, or designee;

7 4. One member who is an employee of the State Department of
8 Education, designated by the Superintendent of Public Instruction;

9 5. One member who is part of an organization or association
10 representing school district boards of education in this state,
11 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

12 6. One member who is part of an organization or association
13 representing school administrators in this state, appointed by the
14 President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

15 7. One member who is an elementary or secondary public school
16 teacher in this state, appointed by the Governor;

17 8. One member who is a principal from a public prekindergarten
18 through twelfth-grade school, appointed by the Speaker of the House
19 of Representatives; and

20 9. Five members representing deans, directors, or coordinators
21 from accredited educator preparation programs at institutions of
22 higher education in this state, appointed as follows:

23 a. two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
24 Representatives,

1 b. two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of
2 the Senate, and

3 c. one member appointed by the Governor.

4 D. Appointments to the Council shall be made by no later than
5 December 1, 2024. The first meeting of the Council shall be called
6 by the Superintendent of Public Instruction no later than February
7 1, 2025. At the first meeting, the members of the Council shall
8 elect a chair and vice chair from among the members. Meetings of
9 the Council shall be held at least quarterly at the call of the
10 chair. Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing
11 authorities. A majority of the members of the Council shall
12 constitute a quorum to transact business, but no vacancy shall
13 impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all of the
14 powers of the Council. A vacancy on the Council shall be filled by
15 the original appointing authority. The State Department of
16 Education, Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, and the
17 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall provide staff,
18 support, and information as requested by the Council.

19 E. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for
20 serving on the Council.

21 F. The Council shall act in accordance with the provisions of
22 the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

1 G. Members who serve on the Council shall be exempt from the
2 dual-office-holding prohibitions of Section 6 of Title 51 of the
3 Oklahoma Statutes.

4 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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