STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to The State Superintendent of Public Instruction; creating the Do Your Job Act; amending

70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-104.3, which relates to requirements for compliance with quality standards

Section 3-104.4, which relates to standard for

by the Commission for Educational Quality and

Accountability; permitting vote and decision on Superintendent's salary; providing considerations;

Department of Education; amending 74 O.S. 2021,

be subject to review; and providing an effective

and loss or denial of accreditation; directing the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability to

take certain required actions; amending 70 O.S. 2021,

accreditation; modifying accrediting entity; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-106, which relates to the

salary of Superintendent; subjecting salary to review

directing that withheld monies be appropriated to the

Section 250.4, which relates to the salaries of state officers; directing that the Superintendent's salary

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be

22 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Do Your Job

24 Act".

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SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-104.3, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-104.3 A. The Legislature, recognizing its obligation to the children of this state to ensure their opportunity to receive an excellent education, and recognizing its obligation to the taxpayers of this state to ensure that schooling is accomplished in an efficient manner, hereby establishes requirements for compliance with quality standards which the public schools and school districts, within the limits of resources now or subsequently available, must meet.

- B. State accreditation shall be withdrawn from or denied to schools or school districts that do not meet the requirements of Sections 2, 3, 6, 28, 29, 30, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, and 49 of this act, and the State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall take action as required by this act to ensure that students affected are enrolled in schools that are able to maintain state accreditation. Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting the withdrawing or denial of accreditation for failure to meet requirements as elsewhere provided by law.
- SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-104.4, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-104.4 A. The State Board of Education Office of

Educational Quality and Accountability shall adopt standards for the accreditation of the public schools in this state according to the

requirements of Section 3-104.3 et seq. of this title, to be effective as set forth in Section 3-104.3 et seq. of this title. The accreditation standards shall incorporate the curricular standards established pursuant to Section 11-103.6 of this title. The accreditation standards shall equal or exceed nationally recognized accreditation standards to the extent that the standards are consistent with an academic results oriented approach to accreditation. The accreditation adopted by the State Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall encompass accreditation for elementary schools, middle schools, junior high schools, and high schools. The accreditation standards shall be made available for public inspection at the offices of the State Department of Education.

B. Standards for accreditation adopted by the State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall include standards relating to the provision of school counselors to the public school children of this state. The State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall require each local school district to provide information regarding the number of counselors serving each school site, the duties of all such counselors including all administrative duties, the number of students served by each counselor, and information regarding the number of counselors employed per elementary school, middle school, junior high school and high school.

1 C. Except as otherwise provided, schools shall meet the 2 accreditation standards as a condition of continued accreditation. 3 Nothing herein shall be construed as preventing changes to the 4 adopted standards by the State Board of Education Office of 5 Educational Quality and Accountability pursuant to the 6 Administrative Procedures Act. The accreditation standards shall 7 provide for warnings, probation or nonaccredited status for schools that fail to meet the standards. The Department shall investigate a 9 complaint of failure to provide educational services or failure to 10 comply with accreditation standards within thirty (30) days of 11 receiving the complaint. If the Department determines that a school 12 has failed to comply with the accreditation standards, the 13 Department shall report the recommended warning, probation or 14 nonaccredited accreditation status to the State Board of Education 15 Office of Educational Quality and Accountability within ninety (90) 16 days. If a school does not take action to comply with the 17 accreditation standards within ninety (90) days after a report is 18 filed by the Department, the Board Office of Educational Quality and 19 Accountability shall withdraw accreditation for the school. 20 State Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability 21 accreditation regulations shall provide for warnings and for 22 assistance to schools and school districts whenever there is reason 23 to believe a school is in danger of losing its state accreditation.

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- D. If one or more school sites fail to receive accreditation as required pursuant to this section or subsequently lose accreditation, the State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall close the school and reassign the students to accredited schools within the district or shall annex the district to one or more other districts in which the students can be educated in accredited schools.
- Standards for accreditation adopted by the State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall include standards relating to the provision of educational services provided in partial hospitalization programs, day treatment programs, day hospital programs, residential treatment programs and emergency shelter programs for persons between the ages of three (3) and twenty-one (21) years of age. The accreditation standards shall apply to on-site and off-site educational services provided by public school districts or state-accredited private schools. Each school which is providing or is required to provide educational services for students placed in a program as described in this subsection shall be actively monitored by the State Department of Education. The Department shall determine on an ongoing basis if the educational program and services are in compliance with the accreditation standards.
- F. The State Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall provide assistance to districts in considering

the possibility of meeting accreditation requirements through the use of nontraditional means of instruction. The State Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability shall also assist districts in forming cooperatives and making arrangements for the use of satellite instruction or other instructional technologies to the extent that use of such instructional means meets accreditation standards.

- G. 1. Accreditation shall not be withdrawn from or denied nor shall a penalty be assessed against a school or school district for failing to meet the media materials and equipment standards, media program expenditure standards and media personnel standards as set forth in the accreditation standards adopted by the Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability.
- 2. The provisions of paragraph 1 of this subsection shall cease to be effective during the fiscal year which begins on the July 1 immediately succeeding the legislative session during which the measure appropriating monies to the State Board of Education for the financial support of public schools is enacted as law and such appropriation amount is at least Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00) greater than the amount of money appropriated to the State Board of Education for the financial support of public schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, pursuant to Chapter 146, O.S.L. 2018. Provided, the Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00) shall not include any amount of appropriations

dedicated for support or certified employee salary increases.

Accreditation shall not be withdrawn from or denied nor shall a penalty be assessed against a school or school district for failing to meet the media personnel standards as set forth in accreditation standards adopted by the Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability.

- H. 1. The State Board shall not assess a financial penalty against any school district which is given a deficiency in accreditation status during any fiscal year as provided for in this subsection.
- 2. Beginning with the fiscal year which begins July 1, 2021, if the amount of money appropriated to the State Board of Education for the financial support of public schools including funds apportioned pursuant to Section 2 of this act, is at least One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) greater than the amount of money appropriated to the State Board of Education for the financial support of public schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, pursuant to Chapter 146, O.S.L. 2018, a financial penalty shall be assessed against any school districts that do not comply with the class size limitations for kindergarten as provided for in Section 18-113.2 of this title and class size limitations for grade one as provided for in subsection A of Section 18-113.1 of this title. Provided, the One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) shall

not include any amount of appropriations dedicated for support or certified employee salary increases.

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- 3. The State Department of Education shall submit a report on statewide classroom sizes to the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives no later than January 1, 2022.
- I. Except as provided for in subsection J of this section, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, evaluations of schools to determine whether they meet the accreditation standards set forth in accordance with this section shall occur once every four (4) years on a schedule adopted by the State Board of Education Office of Educational Quality and Accountability. The Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability may interrupt the evaluation schedule provided in this subsection for reasons including a change in the superintendent of the school district; determination that one or more school district board members have not met the continuing education requirements as defined by this title; determination that the school district falsified information submitted to any public city, county, state or federal official or agency; initiation of an investigation by the Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability or a law enforcement agency; or other determination by the Board Office of Educational Quality and Accountability that standards for accreditation are not being met by the school district. The schedule adopted by the Board Office of Educational

Quality and Accountability shall allow for school districts receiving no deficiencies for two (2) consecutive years to be reviewed for accreditation less than annually. Provided, however, that schools shall be evaluated annually for the purposes of:

- 1. Local, state and federal funding;
- 2. Health and safety;

- 3. Certification requirements for teachers, principals and superintendents;
- 4. School board governance, including instructional and continuing education requirements for school board members; and
 - 5. Any other requirements under state or federal law.
- J. Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, if a public school receives a deficiency on its accreditation report, the public school shall be evaluated annually to determine if it meets the accreditation standards set forth in accordance with this section.

 If the public school receives no deficiencies for two (2) consecutive years, the public school shall be subject to the evaluation timeline established in subsection I of this section.
- SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-106, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-106. A. The State Superintendent of Public

Instruction shall have an office at the seat of government where all books and papers pertaining to the office of the Superintendent shall be kept. The books and papers shall be kept and preserved in

the office and delivered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to a successor. The Superintendent shall file and carefully preserve in the office all official reports made to the Superintendent. The salary of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be as provided for in Section 250.4 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, subject to a review by the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability provided in subsection B of this section.

- B. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability shall annually meet before the start of each state fiscal year to review the performance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Commission shall have the power to vote on and decide to cut the Superintendent's salary up to fifty percent (50%) for poor performance. The Commission shall consider, but is not limited to:
 - 1. Grant applications;

- 2. Teacher retention; and
- 3. Statewide student test scores.

Any monies withheld from the Superintendent's salary shall be reappropriated to the Oklahoma State Department of Education's budget.

SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 250.4, is amended to read as follows:

Section 250.4 Pursuant to provisions of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma from and after the beginning date of a term of office which commences in, or after, January 2016, the following officers of the State of Oklahoma shall be annually compensated for their services, payable monthly, as follows:

- 1. The Governor shall receive a salary of One Hundred Forty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$147,000.00);
- 2. The Lieutenant Governor shall receive a salary of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$114,713.00);
- 3. The Attorney General shall receive a salary of One Hundred Thirty-two Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$132,825.00);
- 4. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction shall receive a salary of One Hundred Twenty-four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-three Dollars (\$124,373.00), subject to review as provided in Section 3-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 5. Each member of the Corporation Commission shall receive a salary of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$114,713.00);
- 6. The State Treasurer shall receive a salary of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$114,713.00);
- 7. The State Auditor and Inspector shall receive a salary of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$114,713.00);

8. The State Insurance Commissioner shall receive a salary of
One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen Dollars
(\$114,713.00); and
9. The Commissioner of Labor shall receive a salary of One
Hundred Five Thousand Fifty-three Dollars (\$105,053.00).
SECTION 6. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.
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