

1 attained a retention grade point average of not less
2 than 2.50 on a 4.0 scale, or

3 b. has successfully completed a terminal degree, such as
4 a doctorate of philosophy, a doctorate in education,
5 professional doctorates, a master of fine arts degree
6 or a master of library science degree, from an
7 institution accredited by a national or regional
8 accrediting agency which is recognized by the
9 Secretary of the United States Department of
10 Education. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
11 Education shall be consulted to verify other terminal
12 degrees, or

13 c. holds at least a baccalaureate degree from an
14 institution whose accreditation is recognized by the
15 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and has
16 qualified work experience in a field that corresponds
17 to an area of certification as determined by the State
18 Board of Education, and

19 d. in addition to the requirements of subparagraphs a, b
20 and c of this paragraph, has demonstrated competency
21 or completed a major in a field that corresponds to an
22 area of specialization for an Elementary-Secondary
23 Certificate or a Secondary Certificate as determined
24 by the State Board of Education or a vocational-

1 technical certificate as recommended by the Oklahoma
2 Department of Career and Technology Education;

3 2. Declares the intention to earn standard certification by
4 means of an alternative placement program in not more than three (3)
5 years. The State Board of Education shall determine the subject
6 matter and the number of clock or semester hours required for the
7 professional education component for each person making application
8 for an alternative placement teaching certificate based on the
9 criteria of paragraph 1 of this subsection.

10 The State Board of Education shall establish a core minimum of
11 six (6) semester hours or ninety (90) clock hours and a maximum of
12 eighteen (18) semester hours or two hundred seventy (270) clock
13 hours for the professional education component.

14 The requirements set forth in this subsection shall exclude all
15 student teaching requirements pursuant to the provisions of
16 subsection E of this section;

17 3. Has passed the general education and subject area portions
18 of the competency examination required in Section 6-187 of this
19 title in the area of specialization for which certification is
20 sought; and

21 4. Either presents a document from an accredited public school
22 district in this state offering employment in the area of
23 specialization for which certification is sought on condition that
24 the person enroll in an alternative placement program approved by

1 the State Board of Education or declares the intention to seek
2 employment as a teacher at an accredited public school district in
3 this state. The certificate granted pursuant to this subsection
4 shall be considered a "valid certificate of qualification" for the
5 purposes of Sections 6-107 and 6-108 of this title, and the holder
6 of the certificate shall be considered an inductee for the purposes
7 of Section 6-195 of this title.

8 B. An alternative placement teaching certificate shall be
9 renewed for not more than a maximum of three (3) years upon
10 presentation of a document from an accredited public school district
11 in this state offering renewed employment in the same area of
12 specialization and a document from a teacher education institution
13 verifying satisfactory progress in an appropriate alternative
14 placement program.

15 C. Persons enrolled in an alternative placement program shall:

16 1. Have never been denied admittance to a teacher education
17 program approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education,
18 the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and by the
19 Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation to offer teacher
20 education programs, nor have enrolled in and subsequently failed
21 courses necessary to successfully meet the minimum requirements of
22 the program, except those persons who hold a certificate;

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1 2. Have on file with the director of teacher education at an
2 Oklahoma institution of higher education a plan for meeting standard
3 certification requirements within three (3) years; and

4 3. Participate in an induction program as required in Section
5 6-195 of this title and have the same duties and responsibilities as
6 other inductees.

7 D. The State Board of Education may grant an exception to the
8 requirements for certification and, upon demonstration by an
9 individual of specific competency in the subject area of
10 specialization, may grant a certificate to the individual. The
11 State Board may establish other requirements necessary to grant
12 exceptions.

13 E. The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
14 Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability, may grant an
15 exception to the requirement to complete a subject area examination
16 for initial certification in a field which does not require an
17 advanced degree pursuant to this section if the candidate has an
18 advanced degree in a subject that is substantially comparable to the
19 content assessed on a subject area examination. The degree shall be
20 from an institution accredited by a national or regional accrediting
21 agency which is recognized by the Secretary of the U.S. Department
22 of Education. The Commission shall provide the Board with the
23 necessary information to determine comparability.

1 F. Student teaching and a prestudent teaching field experience
2 shall not be required of alternative placement program participants
3 for standard certification.

4 G. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules
5 authorizing adjunct teachers who shall be persons with distinguished
6 qualifications in their field. Adjunct teachers shall not be
7 required to meet standard certification. ~~Adjunct teachers shall be~~
8 ~~limited to two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of classroom~~
9 ~~teaching per semester~~ A person employed as an adjunct teacher
10 pursuant to this subsection who does not hold a valid certificate to
11 teach shall not be considered a teacher as defined by Section 1-116
12 of this title.

13 H. Each teacher education institution shall provide the
14 Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation an annual report of
15 information as specified by the Commission regarding participation
16 in the alternative placement programs offered by the institution.

17 I. The Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation shall not
18 accredit, renew the accreditation of, or otherwise approve any
19 teacher education program of any institution of higher education in
20 this state that has not implemented alternative placement programs
21 in at least four areas of specialization, including mathematics,
22 science and a foreign language. Each institution shall allow
23 individuals who meet the criteria of subsections A and C of this
24 section to be:

1 1. Admitted to an alternative placement program without further
2 qualification; and

3 2. Offered the opportunity to complete the requirements for
4 standard certification set forth in subsection A of this section
5 during the summer preceding and the summer following the first year
6 of teaching with an alternative placement teaching certificate. Any
7 person seeking standard certification through an alternative
8 placement program shall be permitted to take necessary courses
9 during regular semesters if offered.

10 J. The criteria specified in subsection I of this section can
11 be met through a cooperative arrangement entered into by two or more
12 institutions of higher education.

13 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 17-101, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 17-101. The following words and phrases as used in ~~this~~
16 ~~act~~ Section 17-101 et seq. of this title, unless a different meaning
17 is clearly required by the context, shall have the following
18 meanings:

19 (1) "Retirement system" shall mean the Teachers' Retirement
20 System of Oklahoma, as defined in Section 17-102 of this title.

21 (2) "Public school" shall mean a school district, a state
22 college or university, the State Board of Education, the State Board
23 of Career and Technology Education, and any other state educational
24 entity conducted within the state supported wholly or partly by

1 public funds and operating under the authority and supervision of a
2 legally constituted board or agency having authority and
3 responsibility for any function of public education. ~~"Public~~
4 ~~school"~~ Public school shall also mean a tuition free, nonprofit
5 alternative school of choice that provides education, therapeutic
6 counseling, and outreach programs which is aligned with a school
7 district and which receives grant funds from governmental sources.

8 (3) "Classified personnel" shall mean any teacher, principal,
9 superintendent, supervisor, administrator, librarian, certified or
10 registered nurse, college professor, or college president whose
11 salary is paid wholly or in part from public funds. An employee of
12 any state department, board, board of regents, or board of trustees,
13 who is in a supervisory or an administrative position, the function
14 of which is primarily devoted to public education, shall be
15 considered classified personnel under the meaning of ~~this act~~
16 Section 17-101 et seq. of this title, at the discretion of the Board
17 of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System. The term "teacher"
18 shall also include instructors and counselors employed by the
19 Department of Corrections and holding valid teaching certificates
20 issued by the State Department of Education. Provided, that a
21 person employed by the Department of Corrections as an instructor or
22 counselor shall have been actively engaged in the teaching
23 profession for a period of not less than three (3) years prior to
24 employment to be eligible to participate in the ~~Oklahoma~~ Teachers'

1 Retirement System of Oklahoma. The Department of Corrections shall
2 contribute the employer's share to the ~~Oklahoma~~ Teachers' Retirement
3 System of Oklahoma.

4 (4) "Nonclassified optional personnel" shall include persons
5 hired as adjunct teachers pursuant to subsection G of Section 6-
6 122.3 of this title, cooks, janitors, maintenance personnel not in a
7 supervisory capacity, bus drivers, noncertified or nonregistered
8 nurses, noncertified librarians, and clerical employees of the
9 public schools, state colleges, universities, or any state
10 department, board, board of regents, or board of trustees, the
11 functions of which are primarily devoted to public education and
12 whose salaries are paid wholly or in part from public funds.

13 (5) "Employer" shall mean the state and any of its designated
14 agents or agencies with responsibility and authority for public
15 education, such as boards of education of elementary and independent
16 school districts, boards of regents, boards of control, or any other
17 agency of and within the state by which a person may be employed for
18 service in public education. ~~"Employer"~~ Employer shall also mean
19 the board of directors of a tuition free, nonprofit alternative
20 school of choice that provides education, therapeutic counseling, and
21 and outreach programs which is aligned with a school district and
22 which receives grant funds from governmental sources.

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1 (6) "Member" shall mean any teacher or other employee included
2 in the membership of the system as provided in Section 17-103 of
3 this title.

4 (7) "Board of Trustees" shall mean the board provided for in
5 Section 17-106 of this title to administer the retirement system.

6 (8) "Service" shall mean service as a classified or
7 nonclassified optional employee in the public school system, or any
8 other service devoted primarily to public education in the state.

9 (9) "Prior service" shall mean service rendered prior to July
10 1, 1943.

11 (10) "Membership service" shall mean service as a member of the
12 classified or nonclassified personnel as defined in paragraphs (3)
13 and (4) of this section.

14 (11) "Creditable service" shall mean membership service plus
15 any prior service authorized under this title.

16 (12) "Annuitant" shall mean any person in receipt of a
17 retirement allowance as provided in this title.

18 (13) "Accumulated contributions" shall mean the sum of all
19 amounts deducted from the compensation of a member and credited to
20 his individual account in the ~~Teacher~~ Teachers' Savings Fund,
21 together with interest as of June 30, 1968.

22 (14) "Earnable compensation" shall mean the full rate of the
23 compensation that would be payable to a member if he worked the full
24 normal working time.

1 (15) "Average salary":

- 2 (a) for those members who joined the System prior to July
3 1, 1992, shall mean the average of the salaries for
4 the three (3) years on which the highest contributions
5 to the Teachers' Retirement System was paid not to
6 exceed the maximum contribution level specified in
7 Section 17-116.2 of this title or the maximum
8 compensation level specified in subsection (28) of
9 this section. Provided, no member shall retire with
10 an average salary in excess of Twenty-five Thousand
11 Dollars (\$25,000.00) unless the member has made the
12 required election and paid the required contributions
13 on such salary in excess of Twenty-five Thousand
14 Dollars (\$25,000.00), or unless an eligible member
15 fulfills the requirements of Section 17-116.2C of this
16 title in order to have pre-cap removal service
17 included in the retirement benefit computation of the
18 member using the regular annual compensation of the
19 member for any pre-cap removal year of service so
20 included subject to the maximum average salary amount,
21 and
- 22 (b) for those members who join the System after June 30,
23 1992, shall mean the average of the salaries for five
24 (5) consecutive years on which the highest

1 contribution to the Teachers' Retirement System was
2 paid. Only salary on which required contributions
3 have been made may be used in computing average
4 salary.

5 (16) "Annuity" shall mean payments for life derived from the
6 "accumulated contributions" of a member. All annuities shall be
7 payable in equal monthly installments.

8 (17) "Pension" shall mean payments for life derived from money
9 provided by the employer. All pensions shall be payable in equal
10 monthly installments.

11 (18) "Monthly retirement allowance" is one-twelfth (1/12) of
12 the annual retirement allowance which shall be payable monthly.

13 (19) "Retirement Benefit Fund" shall mean the fund from which
14 all retirement benefits shall be paid based on such mortality tables
15 as shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees.

16 (20) "Actuary" shall mean a person especially skilled through
17 training and experience in financial calculation respecting the
18 expectancy and duration of life.

19 (21) "Actuarial equivalent" shall mean a benefit of equal value
20 when computed upon the basis of such mortality and other tables as
21 shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees.

22 (22) The masculine pronoun, whenever used, shall include the
23 feminine.

1 (23) "Actuarially determined cost" shall mean the single sum
2 which is actuarially equivalent in value to a specified pension
3 amount as determined on the basis of mortality and interest
4 assumptions adopted by the Board of Trustees.

5 (24) "Normal retirement age" means the earliest date upon
6 which:

7 (a) a member reaches the age sixty-two (62) with respect
8 to a member whose first creditable service occurs
9 prior to November 1, 2011, unless the member reaches a
10 normal retirement date pursuant to subparagraph (c) or
11 subparagraph (d) of this paragraph, ~~or~~

12 (b) a member reaches the age of sixty-five (65) with
13 respect to a member whose first creditable service
14 occurs on or after November 1, 2011, or with respect
15 to a member whose first creditable service occurs on
16 or after November 1, 2011, reaches a normal retirement
17 date pursuant to subparagraph (d) of this paragraph
18 having attained a minimum age of sixty (60) years, ~~or~~

19 (c) the age at which the sum of a member's age and number
20 of years of creditable service total eighty (80), with
21 respect to a member whose first creditable service
22 occurred prior to July 1, 1992, and who does not reach
23 a normal retirement age pursuant to subparagraph (a)
24 of this paragraph, or

1 (d) the age at which the sum of a member's age and number
2 of years of creditable service total ninety (90), with
3 respect to a member whose first creditable service
4 occurred on or after July 1, 1992, but prior to
5 November 1, 2011, if the member does not reach a
6 normal retirement age pursuant to subparagraph (a) of
7 this paragraph.

8 (25) "Regular annual compensation" means salary plus fringe
9 benefits, excluding the flexible benefit allowance pursuant to
10 Section 26-105 of this title and for purposes pursuant to Section
11 17-101 et seq. of this title. For purposes of this definition,
12 regular annual compensation shall include:

13 (a) salary which accrues on a regular basis in proportion
14 to the service performed, including payments for staff
15 development,

16 (b) amounts that would otherwise qualify as salary under
17 paragraph (a) of this subsection but are not received
18 directly by the member pursuant to a good faith,
19 voluntary written salary reduction agreement in order
20 to finance payments to a deferred compensation or tax-
21 sheltered annuity program or to finance benefit
22 options under a cafeteria plan qualifying under the
23 United States Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C.,
24 Section 101 et seq.,

1 (c) group health and disability insurance, group term life
2 insurance, annuities, and pension plans, provided on a
3 periodic basis to all qualified employees of the
4 employer, which qualify as fringe benefits under the
5 United States Internal Revenue Code, and

6 (d) excluded from regular annual compensation are:

- 7 1. expense reimbursement payments,
- 8 2. office, vehicle, housing, or other maintenance
9 allowances,
- 10 3. the flexible benefit allowance provided pursuant
11 to Section 26-105 of this title,
- 12 4. payment for unused vacation and sick leave,
- 13 5. any payment made for reason of termination or
14 retirement not specifically provided for in
15 subparagraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection,
- 16 6. maintenance or other nonmonetary compensation,
- 17 7. payment received as an independent contractor or
18 consultant, pursuant to a lawful contract which
19 complies with the requirements of subsection B of
20 Section 6-101.2 of this title,
- 21 8. any benefit payments not made pursuant to a valid
22 employment agreement,
- 23 9. compensation for clinical related activity
24 performed in the University of Oklahoma Health

1 Sciences Center (OUHSC) Professional Practice
2 Plan or Oklahoma State University Center for
3 Health Sciences (OSU-CHS) Professional Practice
4 Plan, and

5 10. any other compensation not described in
6 subparagraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection.

7 (26) "Teacher" means classified personnel and nonclassified
8 optional personnel.

9 (27) "Active classroom teacher" means a person employed by a
10 school district to teach students specifically identified classes
11 for specifically identified subjects during the course of a
12 semester, and who holds a valid certificate or license issued by and
13 in accordance with the rules and regulations of the State Board of
14 Education.

15 (28) "Maximum compensation level" shall, except as otherwise
16 authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 17-116.2C of this
17 title, mean:

18 (a) Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for
19 creditable service authorized and performed prior to
20 July 1, 1995, for members not electing a higher
21 maximum compensation level,

22 (b) Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) for creditable
23 service authorized and performed prior to July 1,
24 1995, for members electing a maximum compensation

1 level in excess of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars
2 (\$25,000.00),

3 (c) Twenty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars

4 (\$27,500.00) for members who, as of June 30, 1995, had
5 elected to have a maximum compensation level not in
6 excess of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00),
7 and who were employed by an entity or institution
8 within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education
9 for creditable service authorized and performed on or
10 after July 1, 1995, but not later than June 30, 1996,
11 if such member does not elect a higher maximum
12 compensation level for this period as authorized by
13 Section 17-116.2A of this title,

14 (d) Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$32,500.00)

15 for members employed by a comprehensive university if
16 the member meets the requirements imposed by Section
17 17-116.2A of this title and the member elects to
18 impose a higher maximum compensation level for service
19 performed on or after July 1, 1995, but not later than
20 June 30, 1996,

21 (e) Forty-four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00) for members

22 who, as of June 30, 1995, had elected to have a
23 maximum compensation level in excess of Twenty-five
24 Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), and who were employed

1 by an entity or institution within The Oklahoma State
2 System of Higher Education for creditable service
3 authorized and performed on or after July 1, 1995, but
4 not later than June 30, 1996, if such member does not
5 elect a higher maximum compensation level for this
6 period as authorized by Section 17-116.2A of this
7 title,

8 (f) Forty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000.00) for members
9 employed by a comprehensive university if the member
10 meets the requirements imposed by Section 17-116.2A of
11 this title and the member elects to impose a higher
12 maximum compensation level for service performed on or
13 after July 1, 1995, but not later than June 30, 1996,

14 (g) the following amounts for creditable service
15 authorized and performed by members employed by a
16 comprehensive university, based upon the election of
17 the member in effect as of June 30, 1995:

18 1. for members who elected a maximum compensation
19 level not in excess of Twenty-five Thousand
20 Dollars (\$25,000.00):

21 (i) Thirty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
22 (\$32,500.00) for service authorized and
23 performed on or after July 1, 1996, but not
24 later than June 30, 1997,

1 (ii) Thirty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
2 (\$37,500.00) for service authorized and
3 performed on or after July 1, 1997, but not
4 later than June 30, 1998,

5 (iii) Forty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
6 (\$42,500.00) for service authorized and
7 performed on or after July 1, 1998, but not
8 later than June 30, 2000,

9 (iv) Forty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
10 (\$47,500.00) for service authorized and
11 performed on or after July 1, 2000, but not
12 later than June 30, 2001,

13 (v) Fifty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
14 (\$52,500.00) for service authorized and
15 performed on or after July 1, 2001, but not
16 later than June 30, 2002,

17 (vi) Fifty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
18 (\$57,500.00) for service authorized and
19 performed on or after July 1, 2002, but not
20 later than June 30, 2003,

21 (vii) Sixty-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
22 (\$62,500.00) for service authorized and
23 performed on or after July 1, 2003, but not
24 later than June 30, 2004,

1 (viii) Sixty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
2 (\$67,500.00) for service authorized and
3 performed on or after July 1, 2004, but not
4 later than June 30, 2005,

5 (ix) Seventy-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
6 (\$72,500.00) for service authorized and
7 performed on or after July 1, 2005, but not
8 later than June 30, 2006,

9 (x) Seventy-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
10 (\$77,500.00) for service authorized and
11 performed on or after July 1, 2006, but not
12 later than June 30, 2007, and

13 (xi) the full amount of regular annual
14 compensation for service authorized and
15 performed on or after July 1, 2007, and

16 2. for members who elected a maximum compensation
17 level in excess of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars
18 (\$25,000.00):

19 (i) Forty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000.00) for
20 service authorized and performed on or after
21 July 1, 1996, but not later than June 30,
22 1997,

23 (ii) Fifty-four Thousand Dollars (\$54,000.00) for
24 service authorized and performed on or after

1 July 1, 1997, but not later than June 30,
2 1998,

3 (iii) Fifty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$59,000.00) for
4 service authorized and performed on or after
5 July 1, 1998, but not later than June 30,
6 2000,

7 (iv) Sixty-four Thousand Dollars (\$64,000.00) for
8 service authorized and performed on or after
9 July 1, 2000, but not later than June 30,
10 2001,

11 (v) Sixty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$69,000.00) for
12 service authorized and performed on or after
13 July 1, 2001, but not later than June 30,
14 2002,

15 (vi) Seventy-four Thousand Dollars (\$74,000.00)
16 for service authorized and performed on or
17 after July 1, 2002, but not later than June
18 30, 2003,

19 (vii) Seventy-nine Thousand Dollars (\$79,000.00)
20 for service authorized and performed on or
21 after July 1, 2003, but not later than June
22 30, 2004,

23 (viii) Eighty-four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00)
24 for service authorized and performed on or

1 after July 1, 2004, but not later than June
2 30, 2005,

3 (ix) Eighty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$89,000.00)
4 for service authorized and performed on or
5 after July 1, 2005, but not later than June
6 30, 2006,

7 (x) Ninety-four Thousand Dollars (\$94,000.00)
8 for service authorized and performed on or
9 after July 1, 2006, but not later than June
10 30, 2007, and

11 (xi) the full amount of regular annual
12 compensation for service authorized and
13 performed on or after July 1, 2007, and

14 (h) the full amount of regular annual compensation of:

- 15 1. a member of the retirement system not employed by
16 an entity or institution within The Oklahoma
17 State System of Higher Education for all
18 creditable service authorized and performed on or
19 after July 1, 1995,
- 20 2. a member of the retirement system first employed
21 on or after July 1, 1995, by an entity or
22 institution within The Oklahoma State System of
23 Higher Education for all creditable service
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1 authorized and performed on or after July 1,
2 1995, but not later than June 30, 1996,

3 3. a member of the retirement system employed by an
4 entity or institution within The Oklahoma State
5 System of Higher Education, other than a
6 comprehensive university, if the member elects to
7 impose a higher maximum compensation level for
8 service performed on or after July 1, 1995, but
9 not later than June 30, 1996, pursuant to
10 subsection B of Section 17-116.2A of this title,

11 4. a member of the retirement system who is first
12 employed on or after July 1, 1996, by any entity
13 or institution within The Oklahoma State System
14 of Higher Education, including a comprehensive
15 university, for creditable service authorized and
16 performed on or after July 1, 1996,

17 5. a member of the retirement system who, as of July
18 1, 1996, is subject to a maximum compensation
19 level pursuant to paragraph (g) of this
20 subsection if the member terminates service with
21 a comprehensive university and is subsequently
22 reemployed by a comprehensive university,
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1 6. a member of the retirement system employed by a
2 comprehensive university for all service
3 performed on and after July 1, 2007, or

4 7. an eligible member of the retirement system who
5 fulfills the requirements of Section ~~2 of this~~
6 ~~act~~ Section 17-116.2C of this title with respect
7 to pre-cap removal service included in the
8 retirement benefit computation of the member at
9 the average salary of the member subject to the
10 maximum average salary amount.

11 (29) "Comprehensive university" shall mean:

12 (a) the University of Oklahoma and all of its constituent
13 agencies, including the University of Oklahoma Health
14 Sciences Center, the University of Oklahoma Law
15 Center, and the Geological Survey, and

16 (b) Oklahoma State University and all of its constituent
17 agencies, including the Oklahoma State University
18 Agricultural Experiment Station, the Oklahoma State
19 University Agricultural Extension Division, the
20 Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary
21 Medicine, the Oklahoma State University Center for
22 Health Sciences, the Technical Branch at Oklahoma
23 City, the Oklahoma State University Institute of

1 Technology-Okmulgee, and Oklahoma State University-
2 Tulsa.

3 (30) "Retirement contract" means the document prepared by the
4 Teachers' Retirement System upon member request, which incorporates
5 member's selected retirement option, and which must be executed and
6 submitted to the Teachers' Retirement System no less than thirty
7 (30) days prior to the projected retirement date.

8 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

9 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
10 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
11 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
12 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 04/05/2022
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