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Bill No.:	HB 2559
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Impact:	No Impact

Research Analysis

HB 2559, as introduced, modifies the Oklahoma Future Teacher Scholarship Program and renames it the Inspired to Teach Program.

The measure tweaks eligibility by:

- Removing the requirement that an applicant have graduated from an Oklahoma high school;
- Allowing home-schooled students to apply; and
- Allowing applicants who completed their GED requirements.

Further, the measure modifies the definition of "full-time student" to include:

- An undergraduate student enrolled in 12 or more credits required for their degree;
- An undergraduate student enrolled in a teacher education program who has completed an internship or teaching credit hours and has been approved to take fewer than 12 credit hours; and
- An undergraduate student enrolled in a teacher education program with a documented disability who has been approved to take fewer than 12 credit hours.

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Fiscal Analysis

As written, the measure is not expected to result in a negative fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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