1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024) 3 SENATE BILL 1313 By: Pugh 4 5 6 AS INTRODUCED 7 An Act relating to schools; amending Section 1, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 2023 (70 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 8 18-114.15), which relates to the minimum salary schedule for certified personnel; modifying salary 9 amounts beginning in certain school year; updating statutory references; modifying language requiring 10 certain personnel paid above certain level to receive certain salary increase; removing language requiring 11 allocation of funds to certain school districts to implement certain salary increases; removing language 12 providing salary increases for certain employees of technology center school districts, the Department of 13 Corrections, the Office of Juvenile Affairs, and the State Department of Rehabilitation Services; updating 14 statutory language; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency. 15 16 17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 19 2023 (70 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 18-114.15), is amended to read as 20 follows: 21 Section 18-114.15. A. Beginning with the 2023-2024 2024-2025 22 school year, certified personnel, as defined in Section 26-103 of 23 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title, in the public schools

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of Oklahoma this state shall receive in salary and/or fringe

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1	benefits not less	than the am	ounts specified	in the fo	llowing
2	schedule:				
3		MINIMU	M SALARY SCHEDU	LE	
4			National		
5	Years of	Bachelor's	Board	Master's	Doctor's
6	Experience	Degree	Certification	Degree	Degree
7	0	\$39,601	\$40,759	\$40,991	\$42,381
8		\$41,101	<u>\$42,259</u>	\$42,491	\$43,881
9	1	\$40,035	\$41,193	\$41,425	\$42,815
10		\$41,535	\$42,693	\$42 , 925	\$44,315
11	2	\$40,469	\$41,628	\$41 , 859	\$43,249
12		\$41 , 969	<u>\$43,128</u>	\$43 , 359	\$44,749
13	3	\$40,904	\$42,062	\$42 , 294	\$43,684
14		\$42,404	\$43,562	<u>\$43,794</u>	\$45,184
15	4	\$41,338	\$42,496	\$42,728	\$44,118
16		\$42,838	<u>\$43,996</u>	\$44,228	\$45,618
17	5	\$42,810	\$43,968	\$44,200	\$45,590
18		\$44,810	<u>\$45,968</u>	\$46,200	\$47,590
19	6	\$43,273	\$44,432	\$44 , 663	\$46,054
20		\$45,273	\$46,432	\$46,663	\$48,054
21	7	\$43,737	\$44,895	\$45,127	\$46,517
22		\$45,737	\$46,895	\$47,127	\$48,517
23	8	\$44,200	\$45 , 358	\$45 , 590	\$46,980
24		\$46,200	\$47,358	\$47,590	\$48,980

1	9	\$44,663	\$45,822	\$46,054	\$47,444
2		\$46,663	\$47 , 822	\$48,054	\$49,444
3	10	\$46,684	\$47,844	\$48,568	\$50,945
4		\$49,184	\$50,344	<u>\$51,068</u>	\$53 , 445
5	11	\$47,177	\$48,336	\$49 , 061	\$51,438
6		<u>\$49,677</u>	\$50 , 836	\$51 , 561	\$53 , 938
7	12	\$47,670	\$48,829	\$49,554	\$51 , 931
8		\$50,170	\$51 , 329	\$52 , 054	\$54,431
9	13	\$48,162	\$49,322	\$50,047	\$52,424
10		\$50,662	\$51 , 822	\$52 , 547	\$54,924
11	14	\$48,655	\$49,815	\$50,539	\$52,916
12		<u>\$51,155</u>	\$52,315	<u>\$53,039</u>	\$55,416
13	15	\$50,167	\$51,327	\$52,052	\$54,430
14		\$53 , 167	<u>\$54,327</u>	<u>\$55,052</u>	\$57,430
15	16	\$50,660	\$51,820	\$52,545	\$54,923
16		<u>\$53,660</u>	<u>\$54,820</u>	<u>\$55,545</u>	\$57 , 923
17	17	\$51,153	\$52,313	\$53,038	\$55,416
18		\$54,153	<u>\$55,313</u>	<u>\$56,038</u>	\$58 , 416
19	18	\$51,646	\$52,806	\$53,531	\$55,909
20		\$54,646	<u>\$55,806</u>	<u>\$56,531</u>	\$58 , 909
21	19	\$52,139	\$53,299	\$54,024	\$56,402
22		<u>\$55,139</u>	<u>\$56,299</u>	<u>\$57,024</u>	\$59 , 402
23	20	\$52,652	\$53,813	\$54,538	\$56,917
24		<u>\$55,652</u>	\$56,813	<u>\$57,538</u>	\$59 , 917

1	21	\$53,145	\$54 , 306	\$55,031	\$57 , 410	
2		\$56,145	<u>\$57,306</u>	<u>\$58,031</u>	\$60,410	
3	22	\$53,639	\$54,799	\$55,524	\$57 , 903	
4		<u>\$56,639</u>	\$57 , 799	<u>\$58,524</u>	\$60,903	
5	23	\$54,132	\$55,292	\$56,018	\$58 , 397	
6		<u>\$57,132</u>	<u>\$58,292</u>	<u>\$59,018</u>	\$61,397	
7	24	\$54,625	\$55,785	\$56,511	\$58 , 890	
8		<u>\$57,625</u>	<u>\$58,785</u>	\$59 , 511	\$61,890	
9	25	\$56,049	\$57 , 232	\$57 , 971	\$60,395	
10		<u>\$59,049</u>	\$60,232	\$60 , 971	\$63 , 395	
11	Mast	er's Degree +				
12	Years of	National B	oard			
13	Experience	Certifica	tion			
14	0	\$42,149				
15		\$43 , 649				
16	1	\$42 , 583				
17		\$44,083				
18	2	\$43,018				
19		\$44,518				
20	3	\$43,452				
21		\$44 , 952				
22	4	\$43,886				
23		\$45 , 386				

\$45,358

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1		\$47,358
2	6	\$45,822
3		\$47 , 822
4	7	\$46 , 285
5		\$48 , 285
6	8	\$46,749
7		\$48,749
8	9	\$47,212
9		\$49,212
10	10	\$49 , 728
11		\$52 , 228
12	11	\$50,221
13		52,721
14	12	\$50,713
15		\$53,213
16	13	\$51,206
17		\$53 , 706
18	14	\$51,699
19		\$54,199
20	15	\$53,212
21		\$56,212
22	16	\$53,705
23		<u>\$56,705</u>
24	17	\$54,198

1		<u>\$57,198</u>
2	18	\$54 , 691
3		<u>\$57,691</u>
4	19	\$55,184
5		\$58,184
6	20	\$55,698
7		<u>\$58,698</u>
8	21	\$56,192
9		\$59,192
10	22	\$56,685
11		<u>\$59,685</u>
12	23	\$57,178
13		<u>\$60,178</u>
14	24	\$57,671
15		<u>\$60,671</u>
16	25	\$59,153
17		\$62,153

B. 1. When determining the Minimum Salary Schedule, "fringe benefits" shall mean all or part of retirement benefits, excluding the contributions made pursuant to subsection A of Section 17-108.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title and the flexible benefit allowance pursuant to Section 26-105 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title from the flexible benefit allowance funds disbursed by the State Board of Education and the State Board

of Career and Technology Education pursuant to Section 26-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title.

- 2. If a school district intends to provide retirement benefits to a teacher such that the teacher's salary would be less than the amounts set forth in the minimum salary schedule specified in subsection A of this section, the district shall be required to provide written notification to the teacher prior to his or her employment or, if already employed by the district, no later than thirty (30) days prior to the date the district elects to provide retirement benefits such that the teacher's salary would be less than the minimum salary schedule.
- C. Any of the degrees referred to in this section shall be from a college recognized by the State Board of Education. The Board shall accept teaching experience from out-of-state school districts that are accredited by the State Board of Education state board of education or appropriate state accrediting agency for the districts. The Board shall accept teaching experience from out-of-country schools that are accredited or otherwise endorsed by the appropriate national or regional accrediting or endorsement authority. Out-of-country certification documentation in a language other than English shall be analyzed by an educational credential evaluation service in accordance with industry standards and guidelines and approved by the State Department of Education. The person seeking to have credit granted for out-of-country teaching experience shall be

responsible for all costs of the analysis by a credential evaluation service. The Board shall accept teaching experience from primary and secondary schools that are operated by the United States

Department of Defense or are affiliated with the United States

Department of State.

- D. For the purpose of state salary increments and retirement, no teacher shall be granted credit for more than five (5) years of active duty in the military service or out-of-state or out-of-country teaching experience as a certified teacher or its equivalent. Nothing in this section shall prohibit boards of education from crediting more years of experience on district salary schedules than those allowed for state purposes.
- E. The State Board of Education shall recognize, for purposes of certification and salary increments, all the years of experience of a:
- 1. Certified teacher who teaches in the educational program of the Department of Corrections, beginning with fiscal year 1981;
- 2. Vocational rehabilitation counselor under the Department of Human Services if the counselor was employed as a certified teacher by the State Department of Education when the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation was transferred from the State Board of Career and Technology Education or the State Board of Education to the Oklahoma Public Welfare Commission on July 1, 1968;

- 3. Vocational rehabilitation counselor which were completed while employed by the Department of Human Services if such counselor was certified as a teacher or was eligible for certification as a teacher in Oklahoma this state;
- 4. Certified teacher which were completed while employed by the Child Study Center located at University Hospital, if the teacher was certified as a teacher in Oklahoma this state; and
- 5. Certified school psychologist or psychometrist which were completed while employed as a doctoral intern, psychological assistant, or psychologist with any agency of the State of Oklahoma this state if the experience primarily involved work with persons of school- or preschool-age and if the person was, at the time the experience was acquired, certified as, or eligible for certification as, a school psychologist or psychometrist.
- F. The provisions of this section shall not apply to teachers who have entered into postretirement employment with a public school in Oklahoma this state and are still receiving a monthly retirement benefit.
- G. If a person employed as certified personnel, as defined in Section 26-103 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title, by a school district during the 2022-2023 2023-2024 school year was receiving a salary above the step level indicated by the State Minimum Salary Schedule for the 2022-2023 2023-2024 school year, the person shall receive a salary increase amount equal to the amount

indicated in subsection A <u>of this section</u> for the step level indicated for the person, provided they remain employed by the same district, unless the hours or the duties of the certified personnel are reduced proportionately.

H. If a school district does not receive Foundation or Salary

Incentive Aid pursuant to Section 18-200.1 of Title 70 of the

Oklahoma Statutes, funds shall be allocated by the State Board of

Education to implement the salary increases indicated in subsection

A of this section.

I. Persons employed as classroom instructional employees of technology center school districts supervised by the State Board of Career and Technology Education shall receive a salary increase amount equal to the amount indicated in subsection A of this section for the step level indicated for the person, provided they remain employed by the same technology center school district, unless the hours or the duties of the classroom instructional employees are reduced proportionately.

J. Persons employed as correctional teachers or vocational instructors by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Section 510.6a of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes or persons employed as teachers by the Office of Juvenile Affairs shall receive a salary increase amount equal to the amount indicated in subsection A of this section for the step level indicated for the person, provided they remain employed by the same Department of Corrections or Office

1 of Juvenile Affairs facility, unless the hours or the duties of the 2 correctional teachers, vocational instructors, or teachers are 3 reduced proportionately. 4 K. Persons employed as teachers by the State Department of 5 Rehabilitation Services shall receive a salary increase amount equal 6 to the amount indicated in subsection A of this section for the step 7 level indicated for the person, provided they remain employed by the 8 State Department of Rehabilitation Services, unless the hours or the 9 duties of the teachers are reduced proportionately. 10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024. 11 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation 12 of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby 13 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and 14 be in full force from and after its passage and approval. 15 16 59-2-2420 EΒ 12/13/2023 4:27:02 PM 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24