

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 778

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to workforce training for educators; providing for certain annual training; providing purpose of training; directing certain components of training to be included; requiring annual update; allowing certain time of training; requiring certain inclusion; directing certain posting of required training; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 905 of Title 40, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Workforce Commission shall develop workforce and industry training for the use of teachers and administrators across the state no later than August 1, 2026, and each year thereafter. The purpose of the training shall be to improve the knowledge of teachers and administrators on the conditions of Oklahoma's workforce and to ensure that the students of the state are fully prepared to access career pathways upon graduation.

1 1. The training shall include instruction over the key
2 industries of Oklahoma as determined by the Oklahoma Workforce
3 Commission, as well as workforce shortages in those industries. The
4 training shall be updated annually to reflect changes in Oklahoma's
5 key industries and the workforce demand of those industries no later
6 than August 1, 2027.

7 2. The training shall be no more than one (1) hour in duration
8 and shall be accessible in an online video format compatible with
9 the State Department of Education online professional learning
10 platform.

11 B. All teachers pursuant to Section 1-116 of Title 70 of the
12 Oklahoma Statutes or any subsequent statute shall be required to
13 watch the training on an annual basis, starting no later than May 1,
14 2027.

15 C. The State Department of Education shall be responsible for
16 annually posting the training on its online professional learning
17 platform no later than October 30, 2026, and each year thereafter.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

19 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
20 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
21 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
22 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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