

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 SENATE BILL 588

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; requiring certain school  
8 district or technology center school to provide  
9 certain attestation to a school district or  
10 technology center school considering an individual  
11 for employment; providing for contents of  
12 attestation; requiring attestation to be provided on  
13 certain form; requiring certain actions for failure  
14 to request or provide certain attestation; providing  
15 for codification; providing an effective date; and  
16 declaring an emergency.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-101.25a of Title 70, unless  
20 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. A school district or technology center school that is  
22 considering an individual for employment shall request from the  
23 individual's current or former employing school district or  
24 districts or technology center school or schools an attestation to  
whether allegations of inappropriate behavior between the individual  
and a student or students were raised and whether there was a

1 pending or ongoing investigation of inappropriate behavior between  
2 the individual and a student or students. The attestation shall be  
3 provided on forms prescribed by the State Department of Education or  
4 the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

5 B. If a school district or technology center school fails to  
6 request or fails to provide an attestation required by subsection A  
7 of this section:

8 1. The superintendent of the school district or technology  
9 center school shall be dismissed or not reemployed, subject to the  
10 provisions of the Teacher Due Process Act of 1990; and

11 2. The board positions of the school district board of  
12 education or technology center school district board of education  
13 shall be declared vacant, and individuals who held such positions  
14 shall be ineligible to serve on a school district board of education  
15 or technology center school district board of education for five (5)  
16 years. The Governor shall appoint board of education members  
17 necessary to constitute a quorum, as provided for in subsection F of  
18 Section 13A-110 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

19 C. If a school district or technology center school fails to  
20 provide an attestation required by subsection A of this section and  
21 a subsequent employing school district or technology center school  
22 is found liable in a civil action or agrees to a settlement of a  
23 civil action, the school district or technology center school that  
24 failed to provide the attestation shall be required to provide fifty

1 percent (50%) of any monetary damages imposed by a court in the  
2 civil action or fifty percent (50%) of any settlement amount agreed  
3 upon by the parties and approved by the court.

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

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

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