



ROSENSTEIN, FIST & RINGOLD

RED BANNER UPDATE

Date: May 13th, 2022

Re: HB 3658

Signed: May 5th, 2022

Effective: Immediately

Topic: **Changes to Teacher Certification Requirements**

Summary: House Bill 3658 (the “Bill”) amends multiple sections of the Oklahoma statutes regarding teacher certification.

OKLA. STAT. tit. 70, § 6-122.3 & 6-122.11

The Bill amends Section 6-122.3 to no longer require individuals seeking an alternative placement teaching certificate to take the general education portion of the competency examination (a/k/a the “OGET”), while keeping the requirement that they pass the subject area portion of the exam. Section 6-122.11, relating to early childhood or elementary education teachers, is also amended to reflect this change.

OKLA. STAT. tit. 70, §§ 6-182, 6-187, & 6-189.2

Sections 6-182, 6-187, and 6-189.2 are all amended in accordance with the above-mentioned changes. The Bill strikes language from each of these sections that refers to the general education test requirement as being part of the competency examination.

For More Information

Please visit the firm’s website to view the signed Act.

RFR attorneys are reviewing this legislation and will be advising clients as to any recommended changes to existing district policies.