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## **RED BANNER UPDATE**

**Date:** May 22, 2024

**Re:** HB 2528

**Signed:** May 15,2024

Effective: July 1, 2024

**Topic:** Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System

- **Summary:** This bill contains many revisions to OTRS provisions in the statutes (70 O.S. § 17-101, et seq.) which are beyond the scope of a brief alert. A copy of the signed bill is being posted with this Red Banner for review. Provisions revised by the bill include:
  - "Prior service" definition amendment
  - Enrollment guidelines for nonclassified optional personnel
  - Payment of post-termination benefits
  - Waiver of OTRS liability, obligations and costs after payment of death benefits
  - Payment of death benefits
  - Postretirement employment by a public school and the income limitations

Legal counsel at the firm is currently reviewing this legislation and will be advising clients as to any recommended changes to existing district policies.