

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2692

By: Dunlap of the House

and

Standridge of the Senate

An Act relating to child care; amending Section 1, Chapter 382, O.S.L. 2016 (10 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 405.4), which relates to the Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act; allowing director to qualify as a master teacher; providing probationary period for master teacher to fulfill educational qualifications; allowing extension of probationary period in certain circumstances; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 382, O.S.L. 2016 (10 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 405.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 405.4 A. Any person with a bachelor's degree or postgraduate degree shall be considered as having met the educational requirements for a director of a full-time child care center required by the Department of Human Services. Nothing in this section shall be construed as to affect annual continuing education requirements. The director of a child care center may also qualify as a master teacher for children of all ages.

B. Any person replacing a master teacher at a child care center shall be granted a one-year probationary period to fulfill the educational qualifications required by the Department for a master teacher. The Department may extend the probationary period an

additional year as long as the person is actively pursuing that goal.

C. Licensed child care facilities opened or expanded before November 1, 2016, shall have thirty-five (35) square feet of floor area per infant in rooms occupied only by infants. New construction and existing space not previously licensed for child care after November 1, 2016, shall have forty (40) square feet of floor area per infant in rooms occupied only by infants.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

Passed the House of Representatives the 5th day of March, 2018.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 17th day of April, 2018.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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