

State Question No. 423

Initiative Petition No. 276

"W A R N I N G"

It is a felony for anyone to sign an initiative or referendum petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the measure, or to sign such petition when he is not a legal voter.

NOT MORE THAN FORTY SIGNATURES ON ONE SHEET SHALL BE COUNTED

I N I T I A T I V E P E T I T I O N

TO THE HONORABLE HENRY BELLMON,
GOVERNOR OF OKLAHOMA

We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of the State of Oklahoma, respectfully order that the following proposed law shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection at the regular general election to be held on the 3rd day of November, A.D. 1964, or at a special election which might be called for said purpose, and each for himself says:

"I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma; my residence and post office are correctly written after my name. The time for filing this petition expires ninety days from April _____, 1964. The question we herewith submit to our fellow voters is: Shall the following bill be approved? "

TITLE

AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR DISORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS NOT MAINTAINING 12 YEARS OF ACCREDITED INSTRUCTION AND ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY THEREOF TO HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION WITHIN TRANSPORTATION AREAS IN WHICH TERRITORY IS LOCATED; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS OF DISORGANIZED DISTRICTS, AND FOR USE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR PAYMENT OF STATE AID TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR SUCH PURPOSE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND MAKING PROVISIONS OF ACT SEVERABLE.

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Oklahoma:

SECTION 1. (a) Any school district not maintaining twelve (12) years of accredited instruction during the fiscal year in which this Section becomes effective shall be declared to be disorganized by the State Board of Education at the end of such fiscal year and the territory comprising such district shall be annexed by the State Board of Education to the highschool district or districts providing transportation within the transportation area or areas in which such territory is located, as such transportation area or areas exist when this Section becomes effective.

(b) Except as hereinafter otherwise provided, the disorganized district's property, assets, debts, obligations and indebtedness shall be owned, disposed of or paid as in other cases where districts are declared to be disorganized by the State Board of Education.

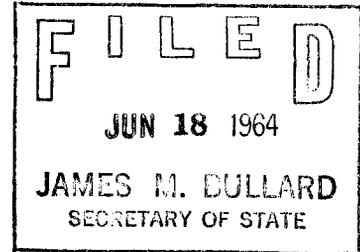
(c) Teachers employed by such disorganized district at the time of disorganization shall be entitled to employment for the two (2) following school years on the same salary basis by the district to which the territory of the disorganized district is annexed; or by the district to which the largest part of such territory is annexed, if the annexation is to two (2) or more districts. If such employment works a financial hardship on any school district under regulations adopted by the State Board of Education, the district shall be allowed from funds appropriated for the payment of State Aid to school districts a sufficient amount to enable the district to pay the salaries of the teachers so employed.

(d) Nothing herein shall prevent school district annexations or consolidations under other applicable laws.

SECTION 2. If any of the provisions of the preceding Section shall be adjudged to be unconstitutional or invalid, such adjudication shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining provisions thereof.



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
OKLAHOMA CITY



CHARLES NESBITT
ATTORNEY GENERAL

June 18, 1964

Honorable James M. Bullard
Secretary of State
State Capitol
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that pursuant to the discretion and duty lodged in and imposed upon the Attorney General by 34 O.S. 1961 § 9, he has examined the proposed Ballot Title to State Question No. 423, Initiative Petition No. 276, which, together with a copy of said petition, was delivered to him on June 16, 1964, by Mr. Ferman Phillips, Executive Secretary of the Oklahoma Education Association, and from said examination the Attorney General finds that said ballot title is in legal form and in harmony with the law. Said proposed ballot title is as follows:

BALLOT TITLE

STATE QUESTION NO. 423

INITIATIVE PETITION NO. 276

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

Shall a Bill

relating to school districts; providing for disorganization of school districts not maintaining 12 years of accredited instruction and annexation of territory thereof to high school districts providing transportation within transportation areas in which territory is located; providing for continued employment of teachers of disorganized districts, and for use of funds appropriated for payment of State Aid to school districts for such purpose under certain circumstances; and making provisions of Act severable,

be approved by the people?

. . .
. . . YES
. . .

SHALL THE PROPOSED BILL BE APPROVED?

. . .
. . . NO
. . .

Very truly yours,

FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Fred Hansen
Fred Hansen
Assistant Attorney General

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