

ENROLLED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1049

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(Ed) of the SENATE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER A FUNDING FORMULA THAT WILL PROVIDE FUNDING EQUITY AND EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY; AND DIRECTING DISTRIBUTION.

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1239 of the 1st Session of the 43rd Oklahoma Legislature created the Vocational and Technical School Finance Committee for the purpose of studying funding for the area vocational-technical school districts in terms of funding equity and equal educational opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the Vocational and Technical School Finance Committee is required to prepare and file a report on any recommendations resulting from such study with the Governor, the House of Representatives, the Senate and the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education by February 1, 1992.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 43RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature hereby directs the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education to adopt a funding formula for area vocational-technical school districts that will incorporate the following provisions:

A. The Oklahoma Department of Vocational and Technical Education will estimate the total cost for operation of a quality foundation level of approved programs and services for each area vocational-technical school district.

B. The Oklahoma Department of Vocational and Technical Education will estimate available local income which will include:

1. Local ad valorem income based upon compliance with state law as recommended by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the State Board of Equalization and which will be calculated at a target level of participation of a minimum of eight (8) mills levied pursuant to the provisions of Section 9B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, with the following exceptions:

a. New area vocational-technical school districts may be exempted from the target level of participation for the first eight (8) years following the initial levy of mills, and

b. Area vocational-technical school districts that do not have access to the maximum ten (10) mills provided in

Section 9B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution will be calculated at a target level of participation at a minimum of six (6) mills as determined by the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education;

2. Local tuition income which will be calculated at the target level as determined by the State Department of Vocational and Technical Education; and

3. Unencumbered general fund balances in excess of fifty percent (50%) of ad valorem collections which will be credited as local income, and deducted from the amount of state allocation to which a school is entitled.

C. The State Board of Vocational and Technical Education will allocate available funds to area vocational and technical school districts based on the difference between estimated quality cost as provided in subsection A and the targeted available local income as provided in subsection B of this section for each area vocational-technical school district.

D. Each area vocational-technical school district's allocation will be calculated according to the new formula as adopted pursuant to the provisions of subsections A, B and C of this resolution, or at the base year level, as determined by the 1992 fiscal year formula funding level. Provided the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education may reduce a district's base year level when it has determined that circumstances affecting any of the following items should result in such an action:

1. Approved programs;

2. The availability of state funds; or

3. Nonconformance to quality foundation requirements or expected outcomes established by the State Board of Vocational and Technical Education.

E. The funding formula for area vocational-technical school districts provided in this resolution shall become effective on July 1, 1993 and shall be implemented for the 1994 fiscal year.

THAT copies of this resolution shall be distributed to the members of the Oklahoma State Board of Vocational and Technical Education, the State Director of Vocational and Technical Education, the Secretary of Education, the superintendents of each area vocational-technical school district and the Director of the Office of State Finance.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 26th day of February, 1992.

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s Representative

Adopted by the Senate the 7th day of April, 1992.

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