

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1686

BY: THOMPSON

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS; AMENDING 70 O.S. 1981, SECTION 3219, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 93, CHAPTER 263, O.S.L. 1990 (70 O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTION 3219), WHICH RELATES TO HIGHER EDUCATION FEES; CLARIFYING LANGUAGE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1981, Section 3219, as last amended by Section 93, Chapter 263, O.S.L. 1990 (70 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 3219), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3219. A. Fees for student activity purposes shall not exceed Three Dollars and thirty cents (\$3.30) per semester credit hour or, if charged by semester, Forty-two Dollars (\$42.00) per semester at institutions and constituent agencies in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. Fees for student activity purposes shall not exceed Three Dollars (\$3.00) per semester credit hour at higher education centers in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. Such fees for higher education centers shall be administered for student activity purposes as authorized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Fees for student

service facilities, such as student union, infirmary, and stadium, shall not exceed Four Dollars and thirty cents (\$4.30) per semester credit hour or, if charged by semester, Thirty-six Dollars (\$36.00) per semester at institutions and constituent agencies in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

B. Additional student activity and service facility fees shall not exceed the limit provided:

Student Senate and Yearbook Fees	\$10.00 per semester
Student Health Care Fee	\$46.00 per semester
Cultural and Recreation Services Fee	\$12.50 per semester

C. Beginning with the fall semester of 1982, institutions in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education may charge each enrolled nonresident alien student an international-student-status-maintenance fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per semester and Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per summer session. The fee shall be for the administrative services rendered by the institution in processing, maintaining, and storing certificates of eligibility, work permits, practical training permits, transfer forms, visa extensions and expirations, and other immigration papers.

D. For the 1990 fiscal year, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are authorized to increase any fee provided for in subsections A, B and C of this section not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) more than the same fee amount established by the Regents for the previous fiscal year.

E. For the 1991 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are authorized to establish student activity fees, student service facilities fees, and student health care in an amount not to exceed the same fee amount as established by the Regents as of January 1, 1990, unless the Legislature authorizes by law an increase in such fees.

F. State educational institutions may be authorized by the State Regents to contract for, charge, collect, receive, and use any and all fees, tuition, charges, grants, and allowances available through the United States Veterans Administration, or any other federal agency, for the education and training of veterans.

G. The State Regents ~~are hereby authorized to~~ may establish a system of student fee waiver scholarships for each institution in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education to be administered by the Board of Regents of the institution. Said system shall include students provided for in the Oklahoma State Regents Academic Scholar Program. Any institution may waive fees for such students as determined by the institution.

H. The institutions comprising The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education ~~are hereby authorized to~~ may establish an educational assistance program whereby such institutions may administer and utilize state funds when federal student loan programs require institutional matching funds.

I. Any institution, constituent agency or higher education center within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education ~~is authorized to~~ may establish a program for payment by consumer credit card of tuition, enrollment fees, and any other higher education fee authorized by law.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1991.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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