
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 43rd Legislature (1992)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1963

BY: ISTOOK

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS; AMENDING 70 O.S. 1991,
SECTION 24-119, WHICH RELATES TO ETHNIC AND RACIAL
HISTORY COVERAGE IN SCHOOLS; REQUIRING THE STATE
BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT CERTAIN RULES AND
REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE TEACHING OF RELIGION IN
AMERICAN HISTORY; 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. 1991, Section 24-119, is amended to read as follows:

Section 24-119. The State Board of Education shall adopt necessary rules and regulations providing coverage of:

1. the outstanding historical events which recognize the contributions made by African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans and other ethnic groups to Oklahoma's rich cultural history and heritage; and

2. various religions, their histories, and the role religion and religious beliefs have played in American history and culture.

In no event shall any specific religion be advocated in any such

instruction authorized by this paragraph, nor shall such instruction concentrate on religious doctrines.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1992.

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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