

ENGROSSED SENATE
JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 39

By: Haney, Cole, Dickerson,
Helton, Long (Ed), Robinson
and Shedrick of the Senate

and

Weaver of the House

A Joint Resolution relating to public health and safety; requiring the State Department of Health to cooperate with certain state agencies to establish certain procedures; providing for an annual survey of certain youth in Oklahoma schools for certain purpose; requiring use of certain survey; requiring survey to be conducted in selected local school districts throughout the state by certain state agencies; clarifying certain rights of parents, guardians, and children related to administration of certain survey; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2610 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Department of Health, in cooperation with the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the State Department of Education, shall establish procedures to annually survey a representative sample of youth in Grades 5 through 11 in Oklahoma schools to determine the most prevalent priority health-risk behaviors among high school students and the ages at which these behaviors begin to appear.

B. The Department shall utilize the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

C. The Youth Risk Behavior Survey shall be conducted in selected local school districts throughout the state by the State Department of Health and the State Department of Education.

D. Nothing herein shall limit the rights of parents or guardians to review and approve or disapprove survey questions intended for their children or wards regarding personal or private subjects. Nothing herein shall limit the right of students to refuse to answer questions regarding personal or private subjects or questions regarding conduct which may be in violation of any law or rule; nor shall students' right to understand these rights be infringed.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective September 1, 1994.

Passed the Senate the 1st day of March, 1994.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of

_____, 1994.

Speaker of the House of Representatives