

SHORT TITLE: Schools; placing governance of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City under Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College; codification.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 1135

By: Leftwich of the Senate

and

Gray of the House

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 4423, which relates to Redlands Community College, Carl Albert State College, Seminole Junior College, Rose State College, and Oklahoma City Community College; placing governance of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City under Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College; changing statutory reference; and providing for codification.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 4423, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4423. A. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are hereby authorized and directed to maintain two-year colleges at El Reno, which shall be known as the Redlands Community College, at Poteau, which shall be known as the Carl Albert State College, at Seminole, which shall be known as the Seminole Junior College, at Midwest City, which shall be known as the Rose State College, and in South Oklahoma City, which shall be known as the Oklahoma City Community College; and, each of said colleges shall be an integral and full-fledged part of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

B. Each of said colleges which at the time it became a member of the State System was operating a technical area school district program to carry out the function of postsecondary technical education for the people of the district shall continue to do so as then operated and in accordance with Section 4410 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, and all property acquired by virtue of the technical area school district operation shall remain as property of the technical area school district and be maintained in the custody of the Board of Regents of the college acting as the governing board of the technical area school district for use by the postsecondary area district program.

C. For each of the colleges above named and identified, there shall be created a separate Board of Regents, and said Board of Regents shall consist of seven (7) members to serve seven-year overlapping terms, with members of said Board to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the State Senate. Each Board shall have the same powers and duties as the Board of Regents of Tulsa Junior College. Four members of the Board of Regents for the colleges located at El Reno, Poteau and Seminole shall be from the county in which said college is located. Four members of the Board of Regents for Rose State College and Oklahoma City Community College shall be residents of the original district of each of said colleges. With respect to Rose State College and Oklahoma City Community College, it is further provided that the college and its governing Board of Regents shall continue to operate the technical area school district program to carry out the function of postsecondary technical education for the people of the technical education school district as now operated, and in accordance with Section 4410 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title.

D. The Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City shall be governed by the Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4423.3 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Acting pursuant to the power conferred by Section 2 of Article 13A of the Oklahoma Constitution to determine the functions and courses of study in each of the institutions in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education have determined that the primary mission of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City is no longer agricultural and mechanical; therefore the governance, supervision, management and control of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City is hereby transferred from the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges to the Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College, and all property, assets and obligations of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City and any and all obligations of the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges for and on behalf of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City are hereby transferred to the Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College. Obligations for any and all plans for tenure or retirement of employees of Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City, either through Oklahoma State University Technical Institute in Oklahoma City or the Board of Regents for Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, shall be assumed by the Board of Regents for Oklahoma City Community College.

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