

ENGROSSED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1036

By: Hager, Boyd (Betty),
Boyd (Laura), Eddins,
Smith (Dale), Staggs,
Stites, Wells and
Greenwood of the House

and

Long (Ed) of the Senate

A Concurrent Resolution creating the Task Force on Student Residency, Educational Services and Temporary Juvenile Detention; providing for membership, appointment, duties, staffing, reimbursement for travel, and termination of the Task Force; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the school district of a child's residence bears the responsibility to educate the child; and

WHEREAS, determination of a child's place of residence greatly impacts not only the local school district's responsibility, but also its State Aid, which is used to fund the school's services; and

WHEREAS, in today's mobile society and extensive system of health and social services to children, a child often is moved about to different homes, facilities, etc., during the course of the school year thereby making it difficult to determine the school district with responsibility to fund and provide a child's education; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has been continually called upon to make new legal provisions for a child's residency as is evidenced by the fact that Section 1-113 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes

which addresses residency for educational purposes has been revised and amended in eight of the past ten legislative sessions; and

WHEREAS, the local school districts are experiencing increasing difficulty in seeking to comply with and administer the residency provisions; and

WHEREAS, schools are being required to fund many various services for students; and

WHEREAS, students who are moved among different school districts are experiencing difficulty in earning academic credits; and

WHEREAS, in the provision of education and educational services to disabled students and in the temporary detention of juveniles, school districts and local law enforcement authorities are required to comply with federal law as well as state and local law in the performance of duties, a situation which often limits flexibility in determination of the best interests of the child.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Task Force on Student Residency, Educational Services and Temporary Juvenile Detention is hereby created until January 1, 1996. The Task Force shall be composed of sixteen (16) members to be appointed as follows:

1. Eight members shall be legislators appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, six of whom shall be members of the Education Committee. The Speaker shall designate one member to serve as chair of the Task Force; and

2. Eight members shall be legislators appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, six of whom shall be members of the Education Committee. The President Pro Tempore shall designate one member to serve as vice-chair of the Task Force.

Members shall be appointed on or before July 1, 1995.

THAT the Task Force shall study the current system of determination of school residency, financing, responsibility for, cost and provision of educational services to students and temporary juvenile detention in adult facilities. The study shall include consideration of:

1. Different educational funding options for students with regard to residency;

2. Determination of and responsibilities for educational and other costs;

3. Ability of students who move from one school district to another to earn academic credits; and

4. The feasibility of exemptions or waivers from federal requirements which regulate education for disabled students and temporary juvenile detention. The Task Force shall make recommendations on or before January 1, 1996, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate on the issues included in this resolution.

THAT the Task Force shall utilize as resources in its work school district administrators and teachers, parents of students, and private and public sector persons who work to provide related health and social services to students.

THAT in addition to legislative staff, the State Department of Education, Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall provide necessary staff assistance to the Task Force.

THAT members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

THAT copies of this resolution shall be distributed to the directors of the State Department of Education, Oklahoma Commission

on Children and Youth, Oklahoma State Department of Health,
Department of Human Services, and Department of Mental Health and
Substance Abuse Services.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 11th day of May,
1995.

of Speaker of the House
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Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1995.

Senate President of the