

ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 415

By: Stipe of the Senate

and

Mass of the House

[schools - McAlester Higher Education Program -
effective date - emergency]

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4432 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall make educational program resources at institutions in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education available to the people in the McAlester area. The State Regents shall draw upon the educational programs of institutions best suited to provide the kind of educational programs needed and, in pursuance of Article XIII-A of the Constitution of Oklahoma and appropriate statutes, shall set the standards of education as they relate to the programs operated to assure that credits earned by students will be fully accepted at institutions of higher education to which the students may transfer the credit to apply toward an educational study objective. The State Regents may establish appropriate funds and accounts, including a revolving fund, in the Office of State Finance for servicing the fiscal operations of the McAlester Higher Education Program. The people locally shall provide suitable physical plant accommodations for the Program.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4433 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No private educational institution shall contract with the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education or with any board of regents of a state educational institution for the operation, management, or control of the McAlester Higher Education Program or any substantial portion thereof.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not prohibit a private educational institution from providing classes or courses of instruction or other cooperative programs and services by agreement with the Board of Trustees of the McAlester Higher Education Program.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1995.

SECTION 4. 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.

Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 1995.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 1995.

Speaker of the House of Representatives