

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 836

By: Haney, Hobson, Wilkerson
and Henry of the Senate

and

Ervin, Hamilton and
Steidley of the House

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991,
Section 3201, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 223,
O.S.L. 1992 and Section 4423 (70 O.S. Supp. 1995,
Section 3201), which relate to The Oklahoma State
System of Higher Education and two-year colleges;
modifying official name of certain institution; and
declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3201, as
amended by Section 1, Chapter 223, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 1995,
Section 3201), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3201. The following state educational institutions
shall be members of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education:
University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, Langston
University, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Murray State
College, Connors State College of Agriculture and Applied Science,
Cameron University, Eastern Oklahoma State College, Northeastern
Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, University of Central
Oklahoma, East Central University, Northeastern State University,
Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Southeastern Oklahoma State
University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, University of
Science and Arts of Oklahoma, Carl Albert State College, Redlands
Community College, Northern Oklahoma College, Oklahoma City
Community College, Rogers State College, Rose State College,
Seminole State College, Tulsa Junior College, University Center at
Tulsa, and Western Oklahoma State College.

SECTION 2. 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 State
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, 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.

SECTION 3. 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:

A. The state educational institution located at Seminole which is known and designated as "Seminole Junior College" shall continue at the same location and the official name of the institution shall be designated in all future references as "Seminole State College".

B. It is the intent of the Legislature that expendable supplies including, but not limited to, letterheads, which on the effective date of this section carry or are labeled with the name "Seminole Junior College" shall be utilized after the effective date of this section until such supplies are depleted. For purposes of this section, "supplies" shall not mean college catalogs and shall not mean signs designating the name of the college.

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.