

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1921

By: Stites of the House

and

Robinson of the Senate

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9, as last amended by Sections 2 and 4, Chapter 247, O.S.L 1995 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9), which relate to Higher Education fees; modifying certain fees; stating legislative intent concerning a higher education fee and tuition study and the development and implementation of a certain plan; requiring submission of such study to the Governor and Legislature; repealing Section 6, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 247, O.S.L. 1995 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 3218.8a), which relates to certain fees; providing for noncodification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.8, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 247, O.S.L. 1995 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 3218.8), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3218.8 A. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are authorized to establish general enrollment fees per semester credit hour which shall not exceed:

Lower Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$52.00 <u>\$56.50</u>
Regional Universities	\$43.00 <u>\$46.00</u>
Two-year Colleges	\$28.00 <u>\$29.50</u>

Upper Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$55.50 <u>\$60.00</u>
Regional Universities	\$44.00 <u>\$47.00</u>

Graduate Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$73.50	<u>\$80.00</u>
Regional Universities	\$58.00	<u>\$62.00</u>

B. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are authorized to require that nonresidents pay nonresident tuition in addition to general enrollment fees. Except as otherwise provided by law, said nonresident tuition per semester credit hour shall not exceed:

Lower Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$115.50	<u>\$126.00</u>
Regional Universities	\$73.50	<u>\$78.50</u>
Two-year Colleges	\$60.00	<u>\$63.00</u>

Upper Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$130.50	<u>\$142.00</u>
Regional Universities	\$81.50	<u>\$87.00</u>

Graduate Division

Comprehensive Universities	\$160.00	<u>\$174.50</u>
Regional Universities	\$95.00	<u>\$102.00</u>

C. Students permitted to audit courses shall pay the same general enrollment fees and nonresident tuition as required of students who enroll for course credit.

D. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall consider, upon request of an institutional governing board, the approval of differentiated general enrollment fees and nonresident tuition rates which may exceed the limits as established in this section by no more than two percent (2%). Such differential as provided for in this subsection shall be authorized only at institutions with a full-time student enrollment, as defined by the State Regents, of nine thousand (9,000) or greater.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.9, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 247, O.S.L. 1995 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 3218.9), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3218.9 The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are authorized to establish general enrollment fees and nonresident tuition for the following courses and programs in amounts not to exceed the following limits:

<u>Course or Program</u>	<u>Limit</u>
Allopathic Medicine	
Students	
General enrollment fee	\$3,775.50 <u>\$4,342.00</u>
per	semester
Nonresident tuition	\$5,554.50 <u>\$6,388.00</u>
per	semester
Dental Students	
General enrollment fee	\$3,213.50 <u>\$3,696.00</u>
per	semester
Nonresident tuition	\$5,422.50 <u>\$6,236.00</u>
per	semester
<u>Physician's Assistant Associate</u>	
<u>Baccalaureate Students</u>	
General enrollment fee	\$1,968.00 <u>\$2,263.00</u>
per	semester
Nonresident tuition	\$3,855.00 <u>\$4,433.00</u>
per	semester
<u>Physician's Associate</u>	
<u>Master's Students</u>	
<u>semester</u>	<u>\$2,500.00 per</u>
Summer Session for Medical and Dental Students	
General enrollment fee	\$264.50 <u>\$304.00</u> per
	course
Nonresident tuition	\$529.00 <u>\$608.00</u> per
	course
Law Center	
General enrollment fee	\$1,800.00 <u>\$2,070.00</u>
per	

semester

Nonresident tuition ~~\$5,500.00~~ \$6,325.00

per

semester

Optometry

Regular Semester

General enrollment fee ~~\$2,091.00~~ \$2,405.00

per

semester

Nonresident tuition ~~\$2,868.50~~ \$3,299.00

per

semester

Summer Session

General enrollment fee ~~\$1,708.50~~ \$1,965.00

per

summer session

Nonresident tuition ~~\$2,298.50~~ \$2,643.00

per

summer session

Special Studies Course

General enrollment fee ~~\$143.00~~ \$165.00 per semester credit

hour

Nonresident tuition ~~\$190.50~~ \$219.00 per semester credit

hour

Osteopathic Medicine

First-, Second-, and Third-Year Students

General enrollment fee ~~\$3,815.50~~ \$4,388.00

per

semester

Nonresident tuition ~~\$5,554.50~~ \$6,388.00

per

semester

Fourth-Year Students

General enrollment fee	\$7,551.50 <u>\$8,684.00</u> per year
Nonresident tuition	\$10,315.50 <u>\$11,863.00</u> per year
Summer Session and Special Courses	
General enrollment fee	\$152.00 <u>\$175.00</u> per semester credit
hour	
Nonresident tuition	\$218.00 <u>\$251.00</u> per semester credit
hour	
Doctor of Pharmacy Students	
General enrollment fee	\$2,116.00 <u>\$2,433.00</u>
per	semester
Nonresident tuition	\$5,290.00 <u>\$6,084.00</u>
per	semester
Summer Session for Doctor of Pharmacy Students	
General enrollment fee	\$1,322.50 <u>\$1,521.00</u>
per	summer session
Nonresident tuition	\$1,984.00 <u>\$2,282.00</u>
per	summer session
Veterinary Medicine	
General enrollment fee	\$2,513.00 <u>\$2,890.00</u>
per	semester
Nonresident tuition	\$4,509.50 <u>\$5,186.00</u>
per	semester
National Technological University	
Courses	
Total charge	\$611.00 <u>\$703.00</u> per semester credit
hour	

SECTION 3. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education conduct a comprehensive study on student fees and tuition and develop a plan for implementing a four-year fixed rate of tuition effective for students entering college in fall 1998 and thereafter. The study should consider the feasibility of implementing flat or block tuition rates. The study shall be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate by January 1, 1998.

SECTION 4. REPEALER Section 6, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 247, O.S.L 1995 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 3218.8a), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. NONCODIFICATION The provisions of Section 3 of this act shall not be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 6. This act shall become effective July 1, 1997.

SECTION 7. 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.

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