

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 46th Legislature (1998)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2561

By: Bastin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 1210.229-2, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 170, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 1210.229-2), which relates to legislative intent concerning certain programs in the public schools; mandating certain programs concerning drugs, alcohol, and weapons to be provided in the public schools; 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 1210.229-2, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 170, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 1210.229-2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.229-2 The Legislature finds that for the purpose of preventing drug and alcohol abuse among our young people, and for preventing or alleviating problems which lead to and are closely associated with drug and alcohol abuse, it is ~~desirable~~ necessary that all Oklahoma school districts develop and implement a curriculum for drug and alcohol abuse prevention for all grade levels. Such curriculum may include training in life skills, such

as problem-solving, responsibility, communication and decision-making skills, which enable young people to successfully resist social and other pressures to engage in activities which are destructive to their health and future. ~~The Legislature encourages all~~ All school districts ~~to~~ shall adopt ~~as a goal for the year 1990~~ the full implementation of drug and alcohol abuse prevention programs in their schools. In order to expand and enhance the ability of school districts to implement drug and alcohol prevention programs, ~~it is the intent of the Legislature that~~ all local school districts shall participate in the federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986, 20 A.S.C., Section 4601 et seq. and the provisions of Public Law No. 101-647, Drug-Free School Zones.

In order to derive maximum benefit from their drug and alcohol prevention programs, ~~it is further the intent of the Legislature that~~ the school districts shall coordinate their efforts and activities with the Oklahoma Drug and Alcohol Abuse Policy Board, and with appropriate state and local drug and alcohol abuse, health and law enforcement agencies and programs within the community which provide drug education, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation.

~~It is further the intent of the Legislature to encourage school~~ School districts ~~to~~ shall establish programs concerning the danger and criminal consequences of the possession and/or use of firearms or other dangerous or deadly weapons in school zones.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1998.

SECTION 3. 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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