

SHORT TITLE: Schools; requiring Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics to solicit proposals and award grants for certain pilot projects; codification; emergency.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 1

By: Fisher

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; requiring the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics to solicit proposals and award grants for certain pilot projects and determine certain criteria; providing certain criteria; requiring certain proposals to be considered on a statewide competitive basis; providing for codification; and declaring an 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 1210.404 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics shall solicit proposals and award grants for pilot projects that develop and establish model programs implementing advanced science and math curriculum at local vocational-technical school sites or at local school sites via distance learning. At least one grant shall be awarded during the 1996-97 school year for implementation beginning the fall of 1997.

B. The Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics shall determine pilot project criteria, including, but not limited to:

1. Establishment of an advisory council which shall consist of a majority of local superintendents from school districts which

comprise the vocational-technical school district. The advisory council's membership shall be determined by a majority vote of the superintendents from such districts. The advisory council shall establish eligibility criteria for students' participation in the program;

2. The advisory council and area vocational-technical school shall work with the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics in determining advanced science and math curriculum needs for the area served by the program. The Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics shall have final approval of the curriculum and shall set academic standards for the program;

3. A representative from the advisory council and area vocational-technical school shall work with a representative from the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics in the recruitment and hiring of faculty for the program. Faculty positions must be approved by a majority vote of the three representatives from the advisory council, area vocational-technical school and the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics; and

4. The area vocational-technical school district shall provide transportation to and from the program to those students attending the program at the area vocational-technical school site.

The proposals shall be considered on a statewide competitive basis.

SECTION 2. 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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