

SHORT TITLE: Schools; clarifying statutory language; effective date.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

SENATE BILL NO. 594

By: Hobson

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 2, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 1992, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 1994 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 2602), which relates to the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program; clarifying statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 1992, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 1994 (70 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 2602), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2602. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program. The purpose of the program is to ensure that students who meet the criteria set forth in the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Act, Section 2601 et seq. of this title, and who are pursuing studies in this state leading to an associate or baccalaureate degree or who are pursuing studies in a postsecondary vocational-technical program or course offered pursuant to a duly approved cooperative agreement between an area vocational-technical school and an institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, and who are in good academic standing in the institution of higher education or vocational-technical school in which enrolled, are relieved of the burden of paying undergraduate general enrollment fees at institutions of The Oklahoma State System of

Higher Education, are relieved of the burden of paying tuition for enrollment in postsecondary programs of the area vocational-technical districts, or are relieved of some portion of the burden of paying such fees or tuition, pursuant to the provisions of this act, as may be required of enrollees at private institutions of higher education which are accredited pursuant to Section 4103 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title. The further purpose of this program is to establish and maintain a variety of support services whereby a broader range of the general student population of this state will be prepared for success in postsecondary endeavors.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

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