

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2182

By: Adair, Bonny, Wells, Corn,
Erwin, Frame, Hefner,
Hutchison, Langmacher,
Leist, Smith (Dale), Staggs
and Stites of the House

and

Rozell and Hobson of the
Senate

(schools - Bond Enhancement Fund - Bond Enhancement
Grant Program - codification - effective date -
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 15-301 of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund for the
State Department of Education to be designated the "Bond Enhancement
Fund". Monies received in the Fund shall be used to provide state
support to school districts which have poor property wealth to
increase resources available to those school districts for capital
improvements.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 15-302 of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Recognizing the need of school districts which have poor
property wealth to gain access to resources for capital
improvements, the Legislature hereby states its intent to assist
such school districts through the creation of a Bond Enhancement
Grant Program. Contingent upon funds made available to the Bond

Enhancement Fund for such purpose, grants shall be allocated by the Board on a competitive basis to school districts. The amount of the grants shall be based on the amount needed to equalize the average per pupil property value for the school district with the statewide average per pupil property value. Applications for grants shall be submitted prior to a vote on a bond issue by the school district. Award of the grant shall be contingent upon approval of the bond issue by the school district.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2000.

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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of March, 2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2000.

President of the Senate