

ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 843

By: Helton, Crutchfield, Price
and Muegge of the Senate

and

McCarter of the House

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 2, Chapter 335, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6-194.2), which relates to scholarships for attending Great Expectations Summer Institutes for Teachers; deleting criteria for award of certain scholarships; authorizing State Board of Education to develop criteria for award of certain scholarship; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 335, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6-194.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-194.2 A. Beginning with the 1997-98 school year, the State Board of Education shall award scholarships, ~~on a first-come first-serve basis,~~ to public school districts who wish to have teachers and administrators from certain school sites attend the Great Expectations Summer Institutes for Teachers offered by an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. ~~Provided, any~~ Any school district applying for a scholarship for teachers and administrators from a school site which is currently, or has been declared, a high challenge school pursuant to the provisions of subsection B of Section 1210.541 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title for any of the previous three (3) school years, shall be given priority for receipt of such scholarship. Scholarships shall be awarded based on the amount of funds allocated to the State Department of Education for such purpose.

B. The State Board of Education shall develop criteria for scholarship awards and shall promulgate rules as necessary to implement the process by which the scholarships shall be awarded.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2000.

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.

Passed the Senate the 28th day of February, 2000.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives