

An Act relating to schools; creating the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act; stating purpose of the act; providing for application of the act; providing definition; requiring written application; providing for content of proposal; listing entities which may apply for a charter school; prohibiting private schools from applying; providing for sponsorship of a charter school; limiting location of charter school; providing application procedure; providing appeal process; providing for certain notification; requiring certain contract for charter schools; stating required provisions of contract; requiring certain officers to complete certain instruction; prohibiting employment contract until certain time; providing for certain provision in the employment contract; requiring certain disclosure; requiring certain surety bond; requiring adoption of a charter; listing certain requirements a charter school shall comply with; providing for amendment to charter; prohibiting certain actions by a charter school; providing for term of contract; providing for renewal or termination of contract; providing for enrollment of students in certain circumstances; prohibiting termination of certain employees; prohibiting unlawful reprisal against certain employees; defining unlawful reprisal; providing for retention of certain rights and benefits for certain teachers; providing for reemployment preference; providing for enrollment of students in a charter school; allowing certain limited enrollment; stating certain enrollment criteria; providing for designation of certain geographic areas for limited enrollment; prohibiting certain limits on admission; providing for transportation of students; allowing certain funding for transporting students; requiring certain information regarding transportation; providing for funding to charter schools; stating revenues a charter school will receive; providing method for determining average daily membership; allowing charter schools to receive certain funds; creating the Charter Schools Stimulus Fund; stating purpose of fund; requiring State Board of Education to adopt certain rules; requiring the State Board of Education to issue annual report; requiring charter schools to report certain information to the Office of Accountability; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.