

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 11-103.6, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 11-103.6), which relates to curriculum standards; adding sets of competencies as a requirement for high school graduation; clarifying that listed electives are not limited; deleting diploma of honor requirement; allowing certain additional courses with certain content and rigor; allowing certain applied courses to count towards graduation requirements; adding certain courses; adding certain arts requirement; requiring students to complete a certain number of elective courses; requiring school districts to offer a certain number of courses necessary to allow students to graduate; directing the State Board of Education to work with school districts on approving certain courses; providing for approval of certain courses; requiring school districts to pay for concurrent enrollment courses only under certain conditions; allowing courses to be taken in any sequence; requiring school districts to provide a six-hour school day; allowing credit to be awarded for courses with certain embedded competencies; exempting students on individualized education plans from graduation requirements under certain conditions; providing for application of graduation requirements to student in alternative education; requiring school district to offer certain courses for students in alternative education programs; amending Section 1, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 1998, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 11-103.2c), which relates to the diploma of honor; changing name; deleting certain grade and course requirements; deleting course qualification standard; deleting requirement relating to credit for certain courses; establishing requirements for a diploma with honors; providing for qualification of an International Baccalaureate Diploma; amending Section 4, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6-189.1), which relates to certification requirements for mathematics teachers; providing an implementation date; allowing certain teachers to obtain certification by completing certain institutes or examinations; providing certain institute or examination to certain teachers free of charge; amending Section 11, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 3-136), which relates to standards for charter schools; requiring charter schools to address graduation requirements in the charter; amending Section 20, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999, 70 O.S. 1991, Section 8-103, as last amended by Section 21, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 23, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 8-101.2, 8-103 and 8-103.2), which relate to the Education Open Transfer Act; exempting certain student transfers from the Education Open Transfer Act; requiring notification of the parents by a certain date; requiring the parents to notify the school district about enrollment by a certain date; clarifying athletic eligibility for certain transfers; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 6-114, as last amended by Section 34, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6-114), which relates to disciplinary policy for school districts; modifying school district authority to adopt a dress code; modifying school district authority to adopt a uniform dress code; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.