

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1448

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 8, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 1998 (70 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 26-106), which relates to monthly flexible benefit allowances for school district employees; requiring the monthly benefit allowance for school district employees to equal a certain percentage of the health insurance premium; deleting certain intent language; amending 74 O.S. 1991, Section 1310.1, as amended by Section 10, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 1998 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1310.1), which relates to payment of insurance premiums by school districts; requiring school districts to pay for a certain percentage of health insurance premiums; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 8, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 1998 (70 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 26-106), is amended to read as follows:

Section 26-106. ~~A. It is the intent of the Oklahoma State Legislature to provide a~~ Beginning in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, the monthly flexible benefit allowance ~~to other personnel for school district employees,~~ as defined in this act, shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the employees premium in a major medical health insurance plan offered through the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board, ~~beginning in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000.~~

~~B. It is the intent of the Oklahoma State Legislature to provide a monthly flexible benefit allowance to classified personnel, as defined in this act, in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the classified personnel's major medical insurance health care coverage, beginning in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000.~~

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 1310.1, as amended by Section 10, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 1998 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 1310.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1310.1 1. If a school district employee elects health care coverage under a plan offered by a school district, then a school district shall pay ~~fifty percent (50%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the health care coverage of such employee. The ~~fifty percent (50%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) amount shall be reduced by the flexible benefit allowance provided for in Section 7 26-105 of this act Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

2. The premium for education entities that participate in the health and dental insurance plans offered through the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act shall be the same as paid by state agencies for said plans.

3. All education entities that participate in the insurance plans offered through the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act shall forward the employer and employee premiums to the Board no later than the tenth day of each month following the month for which payment is due.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1999.

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.

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