

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1433

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An Act relating to schools; exempting certain school districts from certain reporting requirements; providing a list of exempted report requirements; prohibiting the State Board of Education from requiring written paper copies of documents filed electronically in a certain format; allowing certain correspondence to be filed electronically; authorizing use of facsimile signatures for certain electronically filed documents; allowing school districts to file reports in a written paper format; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an 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 3-153 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Except for school districts with one or more school sites which are identified as low performing or high challenged, all school districts shall be exempt from reporting the following plans:

1. The Comprehensive Local Education Plan as required in Section 3-104.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
2. The school improvement plan as required in Section 5-117.4 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
3. The professional development plan as required in subsection G of Section 6-194 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
4. The capital improvement plan as required in Section 18-153 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and
5. The reading sufficiency plan as required in paragraph 1 of subsection D of Section 1210.508C of Title 70 of the Oklahoma

Statutes only if the last reading sufficiency plan submitted by the school district was approved by the State Department of Education and expenditures for the program include expenses relating to individual and small group tutoring, assessment, summer school programs, and Saturday school programs. Prior approval from the State Department of Education shall be required for other types of expenditures.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-128.2 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Board of Education shall not require school districts to submit a written paper copy of any documents that may be filed electronically with the Board in a format that is compatible with the State Department of Education computer system. Any correspondence between the State Department of Education and a school district concerning an electronically filed report, plan or grant, may also be conducted by electronic transmission. If a signature is required on any electronically filed document, a facsimile signature shall be submitted with the document.

B. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a school district from filing any reports with the State Department of Education in a written paper format.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2001.

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.

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