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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
SENATE BILL 790

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An Act relating to schools; amending Sections 1 and 3, Chapter 355, O.S.L. 1997, as amended by Sections 1 and 3, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2000 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 1210.701 and 1210.703), which relate to the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program; requiring State Department of Education to issue certain report; stating minimum contents of report; authorizing certain test fee assistance for certain students; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 355, O.S.L. 1997, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2000 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.701), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.701 A. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to establish the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program, to be administered by the State Department of Education ~~as provided in this act.~~ The purpose of the program is to establish, organize, and administer a program designed to improve the course offerings available to high school students throughout the state and to prepare students for admission to and success in a postsecondary educational environment. The Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program shall consist of the following components:

1. Financial assistance to public school teachers and schools to build and maintain successful Advanced Placement Programs; and

2. Test fee assistance to public school students who are in financial need or who take more than one advanced placement test in one (1) year.

B. On or before October 1 of each year, the State Department of Education shall issue to the Governor and members of the Senate and House of Representatives Education Committees a report on the Advanced Placement Incentive Program for the previous school year which shall include, but is not limited to:

1. The number of students taking an advanced placement exam and the number of exams taken;

2. The number of exams that receive a score of three or better;

3. The number of school sites which have received funding and the amount of awards, by type of award;

4. The number of school sites offering advanced placement courses and the number of school sites with students taking an advanced placement exam;

5. The number of students who receive assistance with the test fee and the average amount of assistance; and

6. An evaluation of the cost versus the benefits of this program.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 355, O.S.L. 1997, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2000 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.703), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.703 A. Contingent upon the provision of appropriated funds designated for the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program, the State Board of Education is hereby authorized to award schools:

1. A one-time equipment and/or instructional materials grant for the purpose of providing an advanced placement course, based on criteria established by the Department. Schools which receive the grants shall:

- a. offer the advanced placement courses beginning the school year following receipt of the grant,
- b. provide the College Board training within one (1) year of the grant award, including at least a one-week summer institute. Teachers shall be encouraged to attend annual follow-up training, and
- c. make available advanced placement examinations to all students taking the course for which a grant has been awarded;

2. Additional grants to school sites demonstrating successful implementation, as defined by the State Board of Education, of the courses for which the first grants were awarded. Schools may qualify for additional grants a minimum of four (4) years after receiving a grant award;

3. Subsidized training for advanced placement courses, preadvanced placement courses, or International Baccalaureate courses in a form, manner and time prescribed by the Department;

4. One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each score of three or better on an advanced placement test or four or better on an International Baccalaureate examination; provided, these funds shall be used for the purpose of Advanced Placement Program development;

5. For those students who demonstrate financial need as defined by the College Board or the International Baccalaureate Organization, a share of the advanced placement or International Baccalaureate test fee;

6. For those students who take more than one advanced placement or International Baccalaureate test in one (1) year, a share of the advanced placement test or International Baccalaureate fee in a manner prescribed by the Board; and

7. Grants for the purpose of developing an advanced placement vertical team based on criteria established by the Board.

B. Upon completion of the test, the State Department of Education shall obtain from the College Board and the International Baccalaureate Organization a list of students in Oklahoma who scored a three or higher on the advanced placement test or a four or higher on the International Baccalaureate test. Financial incentives for schools provided in this section shall be awarded at the beginning of the next school year following the school year in which the test was taken.

C. Any new expenditure authorized pursuant to ~~this act~~ Section 1210.701 et seq. of this title shall be contingent upon the availability of funds.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2001.

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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