

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 1210.561, as last amended by Section 10, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1996 and Section 4, Chapter 248, O.S.L. 1992 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 1210.561 and 1210.562), Section 65, Chapter 290, O.S.L. 1994 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.566), as amended by Section 135 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1214 of the 1st Session of the 48th Oklahoma Legislature, and Section 44, Chapter 247, O.S.L. 1996 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.568), as last amended by Section 9 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1499 of the 1st Session of the 48th Oklahoma Legislature, which relate to alternative education; adding certain entity eligible for a grant award; providing criteria for grant awards; deleting category of student; modifying criteria for Alternative Approaches grants; providing criteria for High Challenge grants; modifying limitations for Alternative Approaches grants; adding certain criteria; deleting certain criteria; deleting obsolete language; requiring annual needs assessments by school districts; deleting Alternative Education Academies pilot programs from the statewide alternative education system; modifying alternative education program graduation requirements; prohibiting certain uses of statewide alternative education funding; modifying certain yearly funding level requirement; deleting expenditure requirement for students in alternative education; allowing elementary school districts to request waiver from alternative education program requirements; prohibiting certain funding to school district granted a waiver; repealing Section 62, Chapter 290, O.S.L. 1994 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.563), as last amended by Section 134 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1214 of the 1st Session of the 48th Oklahoma Legislature, and Section 63, Chapter 290, O.S.L. 1994 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1210.564), which relate to Alternative Education Academy grants; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.