

An Act relating to the State Board of Education; making appropriations to the State Board of Education; stating purposes; specifying the apportionment of certain funds which were appropriated; providing for the budgeting of funds in certain categories and amounts; providing that certain allocated funds be made available on a statewide competitive application basis; providing exceptions; requiring the transfer of funds for the Teacher Retirement Credit to the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma; requiring funds allocated for the Virtual Internet School in Oklahoma Network (VISION) Act to be used for certain purposes; stating purposes for funds allocated for the Parent Training Program; stating purpose for funds allocated for the Advanced Placement Program; limiting funding for administrative costs; stating purposes for funds allocated for Alternative and High Challenge Education; requiring certain funds be allocated on a competitive application basis; requiring funds allocated for Psychometric Services to be provided to school districts on a contractual basis for certain time period; specifying purposes for funds allocated for Staff Development; authorizing use of funds for school districts for certain purpose; requiring certain apportionment of funds allocated for Instructional, Cooperative and Technological Education; requiring funds to be awarded to certain nonprofit arts center; giving priority to certain arts centers; requiring funds allocated for the funding of Community Education Grants to be expended on a contractual basis to certain consortium groups for certain purposes; requiring the transfer of certain funds allocated for Education Leadership Oklahoma to be transferred and expended for certain purposes; requiring funds allocated for the Oklahoma Ambassador of Teaching to be used for certain purposes; authorizing the providing of screening to certain students for Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 16-114, which relates to textbook allocation; updating statutory language; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 18-103.1, which relates to regional education service centers; updating fiscal references; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 26-105, which relates to the flexible benefit allowance for school district employees; changing flexible benefit allowance amount; prohibiting the reduction of salary levels of certain instructional staff except under certain conditions; requiring funds allocated for Administrative and Support Functions of the State Department of Education to be expended for certain purposes; requiring the Oklahoma Cost Accounting System to account for costs by curricular subject area; providing for duties and compensation of employees of the State Department of Education; providing budgetary limitations; providing designations for the State Department of Education's full-time-equivalent employees; providing for responsibilities of certain designated employees of the Department; requiring the reduction or withholding of State Aid funds for certain purposes; providing for certain proportional reduction of funds; requiring certain funds to be expended by certain date; providing lapse date; authorizing certain funds be expended after certain date for certain purpose and under certain conditions; providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.