

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 26-104, which relates to flexible benefit allowance for school personnel; modifying permitted uses of flexible benefit allowance; making Larry Dickerson Flexible Benefits Allowance Act applicable to school districts participating in Oklahoma State Education and Employees Group Insurance Board plan and self-insured districts; requiring school districts to pay fifty percent of cost of certain health care for employees not otherwise covered; prohibiting decrease in contributions by school districts toward employees' health insurance; requiring certain contributions by school districts toward employees' health insurance to be paid in salary or fringe benefits in subsequent years and providing formula for calculating amount of payment; authorizing State Board of Education to waive certain penalties; setting criteria for consideration of certain waiver applications; requiring approval of application by district board of education before consideration by State Board; requiring school districts to reduce administrative expenses by certain percentage; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.