

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 48th Legislature (2001)

SENATE BILL 580

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to higher education; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.2, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.2), which relates to establishment of tuition and fees; removing authority of Legislature to prescribe certain limits; amending Section 4, Chapter 303, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.14), which relates to fees and tuition recommendations; removing certain limits; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3219.1, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3219.1), which relates to special fees and publication of tuition and fees; removing certain limitation; repealing 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9, as last amended by Sections 4 and 6, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9), which relate to resident and nonresident tuition; repealing Section 6, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.8a), which relates to tuition at technical branches; repealing 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.10, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.10), which relates to supplementary fees; repealing 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 3218.11 and 3218.12, as last amended by Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 134, O.S.L. 2000 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 3218.11 and 3218.12), which relate to special service fees and student activity fees; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.2, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3218.2 Resident tuition, nonresident tuition, and other fees to be required of students receiving instruction or other academic services provided by institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be established by the Oklahoma

State Regents for Higher Education ~~within limits prescribed by the Legislature.~~ Nothing in this act shall be construed as limiting or prohibiting the requirement of payment for goods or services provided by auxiliary enterprises operated by or in conjunction with institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education and authorized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 303, O.S.L. 1997 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.14), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3218.14 Each institution and constituent agency shall have the option to recommend to the governing board and to the State Regents fees and tuition to be charged to students enrolled at the institution or constituent agency. ~~The fees and tuition shall not exceed the limits established by law.~~ The State Regents shall consider and if appropriate, shall approve the recommendations of the institution or constituent agency pursuant to Article XIII-A of the Oklahoma Constitution.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3219.1, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3219.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3219.1 A. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education may establish any special fee ~~not specified by law~~ if the Regents determine that such fee is necessary for academic services or other activities, facilities or services provided by any institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

Within thirty (30) days of the establishment by the Regents of such fee, the Regents shall file a report with the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chairperson of the Higher Education Committee of the House of Representatives and the Chairperson of the Education Committee of the Senate. The report shall specify the reasons the Regents

determined such fee was necessary and any other information concerning the fee.

B. Each educational institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall annually publish all tuition and fees charged at that institution. The institution shall provide that publication free of charge to any person requesting any information relating to tuition or fees at that institution.

SECTION 4. REPEALER 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9, as last amended by Sections 4 and 6, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 3218.8 and 3218.9), are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. REPEALER Section 6, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 330, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.8a), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. REPEALER 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.10, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 348, O.S.L. 1993 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 3218.10), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. REPEALER 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 3218.11 and 3218.12, as last amended by Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 134, O.S.L. 2000 (70 O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 3218.11 and 3218.12), are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. This act shall become effective July 1, 2001.

SECTION 9. 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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