STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 49th Legislature (2003)

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1167

By: Mitchell and Bonny of the House

and

Morgan and Robinson of the Senate

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An Act relating to educational entities; making an appropriation to the State Board of Education; stating purpose; authorizing the Board to expend certain funds for certain purposes; amending Section 1 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1160 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, which relates to an appropriation to the State Board of Education; modifying amount of appropriation; clarifying responsibilities of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the Office of Accountability; directing the State Regents to establish certain accounts and funds; providing for oversight of accounts and funds; specifying pay and benefits for certain transferred employees; making a reappropriation to the State Board of Education; requiring the Office of State Finance to transfer reappropriated funds to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education under certain circumstances; providing for reduction of reappropriated funds under certain circumstances; making an appropriation to the State Board of Career and Technology Education; stating purpose; providing for noncodification; budgetary limitation exemption; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the State Board of Education from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Education Reform Revolving Fund created in Section 41.29b of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the sum of Seventy-six Million Seventy-one Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-four Dollars ($76,071,794.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for the financial support of public schools.

SECTION 2. The State Board of Education is hereby authorized to expend during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, from the Common Education Technology Revolving Fund of the State Treasury, the sum of One Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars ($1,630,639.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for the financial support of public schools.

SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated to the State Board of Education from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the Special Cash Fund of the State Treasury, the sum of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand One Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars ($1,760,137.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for the financial support of public schools.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY Section 1 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1160 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated to the State Board of Education from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, the sum of ~~One Billion Fifty-one Million One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-five Dollars ($1,051,110,975.00)~~ <u>Nine Hundred Seventy-one Million Six Hundred Forty-eight Thousand Four Hundred Five Dollars ($971,648,405.00)</u> or so much thereof as may be necessary for the financial support of public schools.

SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

Contingent upon the enactment of Enrolled House Bill No. 1767 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall service the fiscal operations of the Office of Accountability. The State Regents shall establish appropriate accounts and funds, including a revolving fund in the Office of State Finance for servicing the fiscal operation of the

Office. Such funds and accounts shall be subject to the direct supervision, management and control of the Education Oversight Board. Any incumbent unclassified employees transferred to the State Regents pursuant to Section 31 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1767 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature shall be transferred without a loss of pay and benefits.

SECTION 6. REAPPROPRIATION The amount of Four Hundred Ninety-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($497,500.00) of the original appropriation of Five Hundred Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-three Dollars ($500,823.00) appropriated to the State Board of Education or so much thereof as may be necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Office of Accountability by law by Section 10, Chapter 416, O.S.L. 2001, which shall be expended for the purposes stated in Section 3-118.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, is hereby reappropriated to the State Board of Education for the duties imposed upon the Office of Accountability. If Enrolled House Bill No. 1767 of the 1st Session of the 49th Oklahoma Legislature becomes law the Office of State Finance shall transfer this reappropriation to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education which shall allocate the funds to the Office of Accountability for the same purpose. If on the date of this act, any of the amount originally appropriated, as adjusted by expenditures, encumbrances and transfers, results in an unencumbered balance less than the reappropriated amount, that reappropriated amount is reduced to the unencumbered amount.

SECTION 7. There is hereby appropriated to the State Board of Career and Technology Education from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for support of the Training for Industry Program.

SECTION 8. Budgetary and employee limitations otherwise imposed upon agencies by law shall not apply to expenditures by state agencies made from appropriations and transfers made by this act.

SECTION 9. This act shall become effective July 1, 2003.

SECTION 10. 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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