

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 49th Legislature (2003)

HOUSE BILL HB1340

By: Deutschendorf of the House

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules to allow school district boards of education to grant certain credit for high school graduation requirements for certain transfer students from out of state; limiting provisions for granting certain credit to certain students; requiring school district boards of education to make certain report to the State Board of Education; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-103.6f of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Prior to September 1, 2003, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules to ensure that students who transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out of state after completion of the sophomore year of high school of the student shall not be denied, due to differing graduation requirements, the opportunity to be awarded a standard diploma.

B. The rules shall allow district boards of education to accept courses completed outside of Oklahoma in English, mathematics, science and social studies as credit for the core curriculum units required in subsection B of Section 11-103.6 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes toward high school graduation. Such credit shall be applied on an individual student basis and may only be given for

students transferring to Oklahoma as specified in subsection A of this section who would be unable to meet the specific graduation requirements without unreasonably extending the date of graduation. Each district board of education that grants credit pursuant to this subsection shall report to the State Department of Education on or before July 1 of each year the number of students granted such credit.

SECTION 2. 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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