

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1686

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Sherrer of the House

and

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(schools - Internet-based courses - amending 70
O.S., Section 3-160 - student record system -
codification -

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 1-111.1 of Title 70, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Contingent upon the availability of funding, the State Board
of Education is hereby directed to enter into contracts with private
providers of Internet-based courses for distribution to students in
the state. The courses shall be offered through a school district
the Board selects to participate in the program. The participating
school district shall provide administrative and instructional
support for the Internet-based courses. The students enrolled in
the Internet-based courses shall be considered enrolled in the
participating school district and the district shall count the
students in their average daily membership. The participating
school district may use alternative education funding as provided
for in Section 1210.568 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to
supplement the cost of the Internet-based courses, if the courses
are offered as part of an alternative education program and if
approved by the Board.

B. The Board shall notify schools and take steps to inform students and parents about the Internet-based courses provided through the Board and to inform students how they can enroll in the courses.

C. The Board shall promulgate rules for the implementation of this section.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 430, O.S.L. 2003 (70 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 3-160), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-160. A. In developing and implementing a state student record system, as required in Subsection E of Section 18-200.1 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title, and as needed to comply with the tracking and reporting requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 2001 (ESEA), P.L. No. 107-110, also known as the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001", the State Department of Education shall construct the system to contain the following elements and comply with the following standards and compliance capabilities:

1. Extensible Markup Language (XML), or any updated version of the language, which defines common data formats used during communication between disparate systems;

2. Web services protocol developed by the World Wide Web Consortium, or any updated versions of the protocol, which enables systems that are physically separated but connected to the Internet to be combined to permit complex operations;

3. Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF) ~~version 1.5~~ specifications, or any updated or new versions of the specifications, which enable school district software management systems to communicate with each other. The student record system shall include, but not be limited to, the specifications for course identifiers, state standard formatting, content formatting, and assessment formatting specification;

4. United States Department of Education Performance-Based Data Management Initiative (PBDMI) data exchange guidelines with data elements capable of providing reporting on federal educational programs, or any updated versions of the guidelines; and

5. Defined state data codes to ensure consistent reporting from school districts including, but not limited to, data codes for course identifiers, entries, gains, and losses. Current data codes for teacher certification and the Oklahoma Cost Accounting System shall be extended to match other defined data codes.

B. By the 2005-2006 school year, any student information system and any instructional management system used by school districts in the state shall comply with the Extensible Markup Language (XML) standards and the Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF) version 1.5 specifications, or any new or updated versions of the standards or specifications.

SECTION 3. 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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 16th day of March, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate