

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Sections 3-132, 3-133, 3-134 and 3-137, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 472, O.S.L. 2004 (70 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 3-137), which relate to the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act; deleting technology center school districts as a charter school sponsor; adding the State Board of Education as a charter school sponsor; adding additional charter school sponsorships; deleting certain restrictions; adding criteria for approval of a charter school application; allowing charter school sponsors to give preference to certain applications; authorizing the State Board of Education to designate a public charter school review commission; stating duties of the commission; directing the Board to promulgate rules; adding reasons allowed for denials or termination of a charter school contract; providing for termination of contract by a governing board of a charter school; requiring local school district to lease or sell certain building to a charter school in certain circumstances at a certain rate; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.