

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1626

By: Riley

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; stating intent of Legislature that each school district expend certain minimum amount on certain instruction; requiring certain minimum increase in expenditures to meet standard; providing certain standard and definition for determining expenditure for direct classroom instruction; directing State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing for codification; providing an effective date; 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 18-124.1 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. It is the intent of the Legislature that each school district expend a minimum of sixty-five percent (65%) of total annual expenditures, except expenditures for debt service, on direct classroom instruction. Any district that does not meet this standard shall increase expenditures on direct classroom instruction by one percent (1%) each year until the standard is met.

B. For purposes of this section, the State Department of Education shall determine the applicable definition of "expenditures on direct classroom instruction" in accordance with standards and definitions adopted by the National Center for Education Statistics of the United States Department of Education.

C. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2006.

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.

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