

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; creating the Accuracy in Testing Act; providing short title; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.513, which relates to participation in National Assessment of Educational Progress; directing State Board of Education to conduct review of certain standards; requiring modifications of standards as necessary to ensure congruence with NAEP standards; authorizing Board to contract with certain entity; requiring report to Legislature; requiring subsequent reviews and reports; providing for noncodification; 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 not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Accuracy in Testing Act".

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.513, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.513 A. In order to assist in the nation's evaluation of the condition and progress of education, and in order to provide comparative interstate information on student performance, beginning July 1, 1997, the State Board of Education shall ensure the participation of the Oklahoma public school system in the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The results of this assessment shall be included as a separate result in annual reports on the Oklahoma State Testing Program.

B. The State Department of Education shall utilize the services of at least one qualified independent entity to conduct an evaluation of the state core curriculum standards at every grade

level or, in high school for every subject, in which a criterion-referenced test is administered, and shall report the results to the Legislature by February 1, 2000.

C. The State Board of Education shall conduct a review of the state core curriculum standards at every grade level and for every subject assessed by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and shall modify our state standards as necessary to ensure that our state standards are in congruence with the NAEP standards. The Board may contract with a qualified independent entity to conduct the required review. The Board shall report the results of the review to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2006. Upon release of NAEP data in subsequent years, the Board shall conduct a review and comparison of our state standards as required in this subsection and report to the Legislature on or before December 31 of the year following release of the NAEP data.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2006.

SECTION 4. 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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