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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1555

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8 (Schools - Oklahoma School of Science and

9 Mathematics regional model programs - effective

10 date -

11 emergency)

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.404, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1210.404 A. The Oklahoma School of Science and
17 Mathematics shall solicit proposals and award grants for pilot
18 projects that develop and establish model programs implementing
19 advanced science and math curriculum at local technology center
20 school sites, local colleges or universities, or at local school
21 sites via distance learning. At least two grants shall be awarded
22 during the 1997-98 school year for implementation beginning the fall
23 of 1997. The Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics shall

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1 determine pilot project criteria. The pilot project proposals shall
2 be considered on a statewide competitive basis.

3 B. A Selection Committee shall be established to assist the
4 Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics in selecting sites for
5 model programs. The Selection Committee shall consider geographic
6 distribution of programs across the state when selecting sites. The
7 Selection Committee shall seek applications from technology center
8 school sites, college or university sites, or school sites which are
9 located west of Interstate 35 in the state. By July 1, 2008, the
10 Selection Committee shall select not less than one participating
11 site which is located west of Interstate 35 in the state for a model
12 program. The Selection Committee shall consist of the following
13 members:

- 14 1. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and
15 Technology Education or a designee;
- 16 2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or a designee; and
- 17 3. The Director of the Oklahoma School of Science and
18 Mathematics or a designee.

19 C. An Advisory Council shall be established to assist the
20 Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics in development of the
21 model programs. The Advisory Council shall establish eligibility
22 criteria for student participation in the program. The Advisory
23 Council shall have final approval of the curriculum and shall set
24 academic standards for the program. Beginning with the 2008-2009

1 school year, each program shall at a minimum offer a two-year
2 curriculum. The Advisory Council shall consist of the following
3 members:

4 1. A superintendent of a participating local school district
5 within the technology center school district elected by the majority
6 of the participating superintendents or a designee;

7 2. The superintendent of a technology center school district
8 participating in the program or a designee; and

9 3. The Director of the Oklahoma School of Science and
10 Mathematics or a designee.

11 D. The Advisory Council and participating technology center
12 schools shall work with the Oklahoma School of Science and
13 Mathematics in determining advanced science and math curriculum
14 needs for the area served by the program. A representative from the
15 Advisory Council and participating technology center school or
16 participating local school site shall work with a representative
17 from the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics in the
18 recruitment and hiring of faculty for the program. Faculty
19 positions shall be approved by a majority vote of the
20 representatives from the Advisory Council, technology center school
21 and the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics.

22 E. The participating technology center school district shall
23 provide transportation for those students attending the program at
24 the technology center school site. Local schools at their option

1 may provide transportation for students attending at college or
2 university sites.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2007.

4 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
5 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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