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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1717

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8 (schools - Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive

9 Program - effective date -

10 emergency)

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.701, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1210.701 A. The State Board of Education shall
18 promulgate rules to establish the Oklahoma Advanced Placement
19 Incentive Program, to be administered by the State Department of
20 Education. The purpose of the program is to establish, organize,
21 and administer a program designed to improve the course offerings
22 available to high school students throughout the state and to
23 prepare students for admission to and success in a postsecondary

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1 educational environment. The Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive
2 Program shall consist of the following components:

3 1. Financial assistance to public school teachers and schools
4 to build and maintain successful Advanced Placement Programs; ~~and~~

5 2. Test fee assistance to public school students who are in
6 financial need or who take more than one advanced placement test in
7 one (1) year; and

8 3. Test fee reimbursement to public school students who take an
9 advanced placement test and score a three or better on the test or
10 who take an International Baccalaureate test and score a four or
11 better on the test.

12 B. On or before October 1 of each year, the State Department of
13 Education shall issue to the Governor and members of the Senate and
14 House of Representatives Education Committees a report on the
15 Advanced Placement Incentive Program for the previous school year
16 which shall include, but is not limited to:

17 1. The number of students taking an advanced placement exam and
18 the number of exams taken;

19 2. The number of exams that receive a score of three or better;

20 3. The number of school sites which have received funding and
21 the amount of awards, by type of award;

22 4. The number of school sites offering advanced placement
23 courses and the number of school sites with students taking an
24 advanced placement exam;

1 5. The number of students who receive assistance with the test
2 fee and the average amount of assistance; and

3 6. An evaluation of the cost versus the benefits of this
4 program.

5 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.703, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 1210.703 A. Contingent upon the provision of
8 appropriated funds designated for the Oklahoma Advanced Placement
9 Incentive Program, the State Board of Education is hereby authorized
10 to award schools:

11 1. A one-time equipment and/or instructional materials grant
12 for the purpose of providing an advanced placement course, based on
13 criteria established by the Department. Schools which receive the
14 grants shall:

15 a. offer the advanced placement courses beginning the
16 school year following receipt of the grant,

17 b. provide the College Board training within one (1) year
18 of the grant award, including at least a one-week
19 summer institute. Teachers shall be encouraged to
20 attend annual follow-up training, and

21 c. make available advanced placement examinations to all
22 students taking the course for which a grant has been
23 awarded;

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1 2. Additional grants to school sites demonstrating successful
2 implementation, as defined by the State Board of Education, of the
3 courses for which the first grants were awarded. Schools may
4 qualify for additional grants a minimum of four (4) years after
5 receiving a grant award;

6 3. Subsidized training for advanced placement courses,
7 preadvanced placement courses, or International Baccalaureate
8 courses in a form, manner and time prescribed by the Department;

9 4. One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each score of three or
10 better on an advanced placement test or four or better on an
11 International Baccalaureate examination, ~~provided, these.~~ These
12 funds shall be used for the purpose of Advanced Placement Program
13 development;

14 5. For those students who demonstrate financial need as defined
15 by the College Board or the International Baccalaureate
16 Organization, a share of the advanced placement or International
17 Baccalaureate test fee;

18 6. For ~~these~~ students who are high school juniors or seniors
19 and take more than one advanced placement test or International
20 Baccalaureate test in one (1) year, a share of the advanced
21 placement or International Baccalaureate test fee, and for such
22 students who take an advanced placement test and score a three or
23 better on the test or take an International Baccalaureate test in
24 one (1) year, a share examination and score a four or better on the

1 examination, the student shall be reimbursed the amount of the
2 advanced placement test or International Baccalaureate examination
3 fee in a manner prescribed by the Board. Each student shall be
4 eligible for reimbursement of not more than four tests per year for
5 a total of eight tests over the two-year period; and

6 7. Grants for the purpose of developing an advanced placement
7 vertical team based on criteria established by the Board.

8 B. Upon completion of the test, the State Department of
9 Education shall obtain from the College Board and the International
10 Baccalaureate Organization a list of students in Oklahoma who scored
11 a three or higher on the advanced placement test or a four or higher
12 on the International Baccalaureate test. Financial incentives for
13 schools provided in this section shall be awarded at the beginning
14 of the next school year following the school year in which the test
15 was taken.

16 C. Any ~~new~~ expenditure authorized pursuant to this section or
17 Section 1210.701 et seq. of this title shall be contingent upon the
18 availability of funds.

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

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

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