

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 SENATE BILL NO. 1612

By: Justice of the Senate

and

6 Winchester of the House

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10 An Act relating to public health; creating the  
11 Quality Afterschool Opportunities Act to Reduce  
12 Childhood Obesity and Improve Academic Performance;  
13 providing short title; stating legislative findings  
14 and intent; directing the State Department of Health  
15 to establish certain grant program; directing the  
16 Department to develop application process, set  
17 eligibility requirements, determine criteria for  
18 grants; directing the State Board of Health to  
19 promulgate rules; providing for codification; and  
20 providing for an effective date.

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

22 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-559.2a of Title 63, unless  
24 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Quality  
Afterschool Opportunities Act to Reduce Childhood Obesity and  
Improve Academic Performance".

1           SECTION 2.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-559.2b of Title 63, unless  
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4           A. The Legislature recognizes that:

5           1. Childhood obesity poses a major risk to the health and  
6 future of Oklahoma's children, and this challenge must be addressed  
7 through a comprehensive approach that includes parents, schools,  
8 child care providers, community- and faith-based organizations,  
9 health care professionals, civic leaders and many others; and

10          2. Evidence-based nutrition education and increased physical  
11 activity are well-established means of addressing the problem, but  
12 not all Oklahoma families are able to take advantage of  
13 opportunities to provide these benefits for their children.

14          B. It is the intent of the State Legislature that support shall  
15 be provided to established afterschool programs to fully integrate  
16 evidence-based obesity prevention and reduction curriculum that  
17 includes structured opportunities for increasing physical activity  
18 and promoting healthy eating and nutrition habits.

19          C. A successful Quality Afterschool Opportunities Initiative  
20 will require the resources, expertise and collaboration of a variety  
21 of state agencies, including the State Department of Health, the  
22 State Department of Education and the Department of Human Services,  
23 with advice and guidance from a statewide non-profit afterschool  
24 network.

1 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-559.2c of Title 63, unless  
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 A. In order to combat the increasing rate of childhood obesity  
5 in the state, the State Department of Health shall create the  
6 Oklahoma Quality Afterschool Opportunities Initiative to Reduce  
7 Childhood Obesity and Improve Academic Performance. This initiative  
8 shall establish and maintain a program to award grants, should funds  
9 become available, to comprehensive, community-based afterschool  
10 programs that include evidence-based obesity reduction components.

11 B. The Department shall, at a minimum:

- 12 1. Develop an application process;
- 13 2. Determine minimum eligibility requirements for applicants;
- 14 3. Develop procedures and criteria for awarding grants; and
- 15 4. Determine the minimum and maximum amounts to be awarded;

16 C. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules as  
17 necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

18 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

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