

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2270

By: Miller and Jones of the
House

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4 Crutchfield, Johnson
5 (Mike), Adelson and Myers
of the Senate

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8 (schools - amending 70 O.S., Section 1210.569 -
9 student needs assessments - effective date -

10 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 1210.569, as
15 amended by Section 27, Chapter 434, O.S.L. 2003 (70 O.S. Supp. 2007,
16 Section 1210.569), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1210.569 A. Each school district shall be required to
18 update and submit on an annual basis the student needs assessment
19 and alternative education plan outlined in Section 1210.566 of this
20 title. The alternative education plan of each school district shall
21 provide for specific professional development programs for the
22 teachers teaching in or working with an alternative education
23 program. The annual needs assessment data shall be incorporated by
24 the State Board of Education into an annual report which shall be

1 submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
2 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Governor. The report
3 shall include a listing by school district of the number of students
4 funded and the reported number of students served in an alternative
5 education program.

6 B. By July 1 of each year, each school district shall submit an
7 expenditure report to the State Department of Education listing all
8 of the expenditures made by the school district for the alternative
9 education program for the previous year.

10 C. Upon implementation of this subsection as provided for in
11 subsections D and E of this section, each urban school district as
12 defined in Section 1210.568 of this title and as identified by the
13 State Department of Education as having a high population of
14 elementary grade students who are at-risk and in need of alternative
15 education shall expand the annual student needs assessment and
16 alternative education plan as required in subsection A of this
17 section to include a needs assessment and education plan for
18 elementary students who are at-risk and in need of alternative
19 education.

20 D. Implementation of subsection C of this section shall be
21 contingent upon the appropriation by the Legislature of state funds
22 for the specific purpose of implementing subsection C of this
23 section. Nothing in this section shall prevent the State Board of
24 Education or a school district board of education from utilizing

1 private, local, or federal funds to implement subsection C of this
2 section.

3 E. Implementation of subsection C of this section shall be
4 delayed until the current expenditure per pupil in average daily
5 attendance in public elementary and secondary schools in unadjusted
6 dollars for the 1998-99 school year or any school year thereafter
7 for Oklahoma, as reported by the National Center for Education
8 Statistics annually in the Digest of Education Statistics, reaches
9 at least ninety percent (90%) of the regional average expenditure
10 for that same year, and funds are provided. For purposes of this
11 subsection, the regional average expenditure shall consist of the
12 current expenditure per pupil in average daily attendance in public
13 elementary and secondary schools in unadjusted dollars for each of
14 the following states: Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New
15 Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas, averaged together. By January 1 of
16 each year, the State Board of Education shall report, in either
17 written or electronic form, whether or not the ninety-percent
18 expenditure level has been reached based on information reported
19 annually in the Digest of Education Statistics by the National
20 Center for Education Statistics. Subsection C of this section shall
21 be implemented on July 1 after the first January 1 report verifies
22 that the ninety-percent expenditure level has been reached and funds
23 have been provided for the specific purposes of the section.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2008.

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

5 Passed the House of Representatives the 5th day of March, 2008.

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8 Presiding Officer of the House of
9 Representatives

10 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2008.

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