

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2699

By: McDaniel (Randy), McAffrey,
Shumate and Pittman of the
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8 An Act relating to arts and culture; amending Section
9 4, Chapter 187, O.S.L. 2007 (53 O.S. Supp. 2007,
10 Section 174), which relates to visual arts programs
11 in schools; expanding eligibility for incentive
12 grants to certain organizations; modifying
13 requirement for securing private matching funds;
14 allowing certain entities to raise matching funds;
15 allowing designated matching funds to be matched with
16 certain money; providing an effective date; and
17 declaring an emergency.

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

19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 187, O.S.L.
20 2007 (53 O.S. Supp. 2007, Section 174), is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 Section 174. A. The Oklahoma Arts Council is authorized to
23 assist and, if funds are available, to make incentive grants to
24 school districts or organizations for the establishment of visual
arts programs in schools. The award of grants shall be limited to
~~school~~:

1 1. School districts that do not have an existing visual arts
2 program or full-time certified visual arts teachers in school sites;
3 and

4 2. Organizations that provide visual arts programming to school
5 districts that do not have an existing visual arts program or full-
6 time certified visual arts teachers in school sites.

7 B. The incentive grant funding may be used to cover the start-
8 up costs of developing a visual arts program or paying the salary
9 costs of a certified art teacher.

10 C. The Council shall determine criteria for the program and
11 establish a process for the consideration of proposals. The Council
12 is authorized to promulgate rules for the operation of the program.

13 D. ~~Implementation of~~ Any money appropriated by the Legislature
14 for the incentive grants grant program shall be contingent upon
15 matched with other funding secured by the Council securing private
16 ~~matching funds for the program which, upon being secured, may be~~
17 ~~matched with legislative appropriations.~~ The matching funding may
18 be raised by the Council, school districts, for-profit or nonprofit
19 organizations, governmental entities, private or public foundations,
20 corporations, or individuals. Any ~~private~~ matching funding raised
21 by the Council for the program shall be deposited in the Oklahoma
22 Arts Council Arts Education Revolving Fund created in Section 5 175
23 of this ~~act~~ title. If matching funding is raised and designated for
24 a grant to a specific school or organization, the Council may match

1 the funding with monies from the Oklahoma Arts Council Arts
2 Education Revolving Fund.

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

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.

8 Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 2008.

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Presiding Officer of the House of
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Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2008.

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