

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 2882

By: Shelton, Shumate and Denney  
of the House

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4 Morgan of the Senate  
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7 An Act relating to higher education; creating the  
8 Board of Trustees for Langston University-Oklahoma  
9 City and Langston University-Tulsa; providing for  
10 membership; making two members of the Board of  
11 Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical  
12 Colleges members of the Board of Trustees; exempting  
13 certain members from dual office restrictions;  
14 establishing terms of office; making the Board of  
15 Trustees a body corporate; providing for officers;  
16 directing the Board of Trustees to adopt rules,  
17 discharge duties, and keep minutes; making the Board  
18 of Trustees subject to certain laws; stating duties  
19 and functions of the Board of Trustees; providing for  
20 appointment of a joint committee; stating purpose of  
21 the joint committee; stating legislative intent;  
22 authorizing the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma  
23 Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges to assign and  
24 delineate roles and responsibilities for the Board of  
Trustees; specifying certain responsibilities;  
directing the Board of Trustees to establish certain  
accounts; providing for codification; and providing  
an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3431 of Title 70, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1       A. On January 1, 2009, there shall be created the Board of  
2 Trustees for Langston University-Oklahoma City and Langston  
3 University-Tulsa which shall consist of seven members appointed by  
4 the Governor and two members of the Board of Regents for the  
5 Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges selected by the chair  
6 of the Board of Regents, who shall serve as voting, ex officio  
7 members. For purposes of serving on the Board of Trustees, the  
8 members of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and  
9 Mechanical Colleges who are appointed to the Board of Trustees shall  
10 not be subject to the dual-office-holding restrictions in Section 6  
11 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The Governor shall appoint  
12 the other members of the Board of Trustees with the advice and  
13 consent of the Senate. The members shall be appointed to numbered  
14 positions with staggered terms to expire as provided in this  
15 section. Successors to the initial board members shall serve seven-  
16 year terms that shall expire on June 30 of the seventh year  
17 following appointment. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled for  
18 the unexpired term by the Governor with the advice and consent of  
19 the Senate. One member of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma  
20 Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges shall hold position number  
21 eight on the Board of Trustees. The other member of the Board of  
22 Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges shall  
23 hold position number nine on the Board of Trustees. The numbered  
24 positions and terms shall be as follows:

- 1           1.   Position No. 1:   The term of office of one member shall  
2 expire on June 30, 2010, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 3           2.   Position No. 2:   The term of office of one member shall  
4 expire on June 30, 2011, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 5           3.   Position No. 3:   The term of office of one member shall  
6 expire on June 30, 2012, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 7           4.   Position No. 4:   The term of office of one member shall  
8 expire on June 30, 2013, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 9           5.   Position No. 5:   The term of office of one member shall  
10 expire on June 30, 2014, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 11          6.   Position No. 6:   The term of office of one member shall  
12 expire on June 30, 2015, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 13          7.   Position No. 7:   The term of office of one member shall  
14 expire on June 30, 2016, and each seven (7) years thereafter;
- 15          8.   Position No. 8:   The term of office shall coincide with the  
16 member's term on the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural  
17 and Mechanical Colleges; and
- 18          9.   Position No. 9:   The term of office shall coincide with the  
19 member's term on the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural  
20 and Mechanical Colleges.
- 21          B.   The Board of Trustees shall be a body corporate and shall  
22 adopt and use an official seal.   The Board of Trustees shall elect a  
23 chair, vice-chair, and secretary annually, each of whom shall serve  
24 for a term of one (1) fiscal year and until a successor is elected

1 and qualified, and who shall perform all duties as directed by the  
2 Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall adopt rules which it  
3 deems necessary for the operation of the Board and the discharge of  
4 its duties and shall cause the minutes of all meetings to be kept.  
5 The Board of Trustees shall comply with the Oklahoma Open Meeting  
6 Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

7 C. The Board of Trustees for Langston University-Oklahoma City  
8 and Langston University-Tulsa shall advise the president of Langston  
9 University and the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural  
10 and Mechanical Colleges on the supervision and management of the  
11 campus of Langston University-Oklahoma City and Langston University-  
12 Tulsa and perform other functions as necessary. The Board of  
13 Trustees shall promulgate rules and enact policies to govern the  
14 processes and procedures of the Board. The Board of Regents for the  
15 Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges and the Board of  
16 Trustees shall appoint a joint committee of at least two members  
17 from each board and at least two members of the staff of each  
18 institution to develop and propose mutually agreed-upon rules and  
19 policies to formalize the review and oversight procedures and the  
20 relationships between the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma  
21 Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, Langston University, Langston  
22 University-Oklahoma City and Langston University-Tulsa. It is the  
23 intent of the Legislature that in the interests of immediate

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1 responsiveness to the needs of students, employees, and the business  
2 community that the decision or approval process be expedited.

3 D. On or after January 1, 2009, the Board of Regents for the  
4 Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges may assign and  
5 delineate roles and responsibilities for the Board of Trustees for  
6 Langston University-Oklahoma City and Langston University-Tulsa.  
7 The responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, student  
8 services, facility operations, student financial services, budget  
9 preparations, endowed chairs at Langston University-Oklahoma City  
10 and Langston University-Tulsa, and administrative operations as  
11 specified by the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and  
12 Mechanical Colleges.

13 E. The Board of Trustees shall establish the usual and  
14 customary accounts established by higher education institutions  
15 within the Office of State Finance necessary to carry out its  
16 duties.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 11th day of March, 2008.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

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6 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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