

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Thursday, February 28, 2008

House Bill No. 3387

HOUSE BILL NO. 3387 - By: JONES of the House.

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.701, which relates to administration of the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program; modifying eligibility for financial assistance; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

3 Section 1210.701 A. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to  
4 establish the Oklahoma Advanced Placement Incentive Program, to be administered by  
5 the State Department of Education. The purpose of the program is to establish, organize,  
6 and administer a program designed to improve the course offerings available to high  
7 school students throughout the state and to prepare students for admission to and  
8 success in a postsecondary educational environment. The Oklahoma Advanced  
9 Placement Incentive Program shall consist of the following components:

10 1. Financial assistance to ~~public school teachers and~~ accredited schools and  
11 teachers at accredited schools to build and maintain successful Advanced Placement  
12 Programs; and

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

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

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

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

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

12          4. The number of school sites offering advanced placement courses and the number  
13 of school sites with students taking an advanced placement exam;

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

16          6. An evaluation of the cost versus the benefits of this program.

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

20          COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, dated 02-27-08 - DO  
21          PASS.