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THE STATE SENATE
Monday, April 7, 2008

ENGROSSED
House Bill No. 2699
As Amended

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2699 - By: McDaniel (Randy), McAffrey,
Shumate and Pittman of the House and Jolley and Easley of the
Senate.

[arts and culture - visual arts programs in schools -
effective date -
emergency]

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

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

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

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

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

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

7 C. The Council shall determine criteria for the program and
8 establish a process for the consideration of proposals. The Council
9 is authorized to promulgate rules for the operation of the program.

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

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

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

6 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 4-2-08 - DO
7 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.