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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 1-109, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter
9 250, O.S.L. 2006 (70 O.S. Supp. 2007, Section 1-109),
10 which relates to the length of a school year;
11 prohibiting implementation of an extended-school-day
12 schedule for certain purposes; providing an effective
13 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1-109, as
16 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 250, O.S.L. 2006 (70 O.S. Supp.
17 2007, Section 1-109), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1-109. A. A school year for all public schools in
19 Oklahoma shall consist of at least ten (10) months of four (4) weeks
20 each, during which time school shall actually be in session and
21 instruction offered for not less than one hundred eighty (180) days.
22 Five (5) days may be used for attendance of professional meetings
23 and teachers may be paid for a length of term in excess thereof,
24 under conditions hereinafter outlined. Subject to district board of
education policy or collective bargaining agreement, additional

1 professional leave days may be granted for individual teachers to
2 attend or participate in professional meetings, staff development
3 training, or National Board certification portfolio development.
4 During two (2) days of the additional professional days granted to
5 teachers for National Board certification portfolio development, a
6 substitute teacher shall be provided by the school district at no
7 cost to the teacher. A school district may authorize parent-teacher
8 conferences to be held during a regular school day. Following such
9 authorization by the school district, these conferences shall be
10 counted towards a school day, as defined in Section 1-111 of this
11 title, and included as part of the one hundred seventy-five (175)
12 days of classroom instruction. A school district may maintain
13 school for less than a full term only when conditions beyond the
14 control of school authorities make the maintenance of the term
15 impossible and the State Board of Education has been apprised and
16 has expressed concurrence in writing.

17 B. The State Board of Education shall establish criteria for an
18 extended day schedule. The criteria shall:

19 1. Prescribe a lengthened school day within limits determined
20 not to be detrimental to quality instruction; ~~and~~

21 2. Ensure that the schedule is equivalent in annual hours of
22 instruction to the one-hundred-eighty-day school year specified in
23 subsection A of this section; and
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1 3. Be consistent with the provisions of this section and
2 Sections 1-110 through 1-112 of this title, but may result in fewer
3 annual days of instruction.

4 C. The State Board of Education may authorize school districts
5 to implement an extended_{day} schedule for instruction pursuant to
6 the criteria developed. A school district shall not be authorized
7 to implement an extended-day schedule for purposes of making up for
8 school days missed because of inclement weather. The State Board of
9 Education shall require the participating school districts to
10 prepare a report of the impact of the extended_{day} schedule.

11 D. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections B and C of
12 this section, a school district board of education may adopt and
13 implement an extended_{day} schedule for grades nine through twelve
14 subject to the following requirements:

15 1. The annual number of hours of instruction shall equal or
16 exceed one thousand eighty (1,080) hours, which is the equivalent of
17 one hundred eighty (180) days of instruction as specified in
18 subsection A of this section for six (6) hours each day as specified
19 in Section 1-111 of this title;

20 2. The annual number of days of instruction shall equal or
21 exceed one hundred eighty (180) days as specified in subsection A of
22 this section;

23 3. The schedule adopted shall be consistent with the provisions
24 of Sections 1-110 through 1-112 of this title, except that for not

1 more than one (1) day per week, a school day shall consist of not
2 less than five (5) hours devoted to academic instruction in a
3 regular classroom setting;

4 4. The district shall hold a public hearing prior to the
5 adoption of an extended_day schedule authorized pursuant to this
6 subsection; and

7 5. The district shall document the impact on student
8 achievement as determined by the academic performance index score
9 and any other relevant factors that are a result of implementation
10 of an extended_day schedule authorized pursuant to this subsection
11 and provide an annual report to the State Board of Education of the
12 results. If improvement in student achievement cannot be documented
13 in the report, the district board of education shall revoke
14 authorization as provided by this subsection. If the district does
15 not revoke authorization after student achievement is not documented
16 in the report, the State Board of Education may deny accreditation
17 of any school in violation of this subsection.

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

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

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