

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3178

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 1210.508D, as amended by Section 21, Chapter
9 242, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2007, Section
10 1210.508D), which relates to reimbursement to school
11 districts for reading remediation programs;
12 clarifying language; and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.508D,
15 as amended by Section 21, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp.
16 2007, Section 1210.508D), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1210.508D A. Contingent on the provision of
18 appropriated funds designated for the Reading Sufficiency Act,
19 school districts may be reimbursed in the amount of up to One
20 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each enrolled first-, second-
21 and third-grade student of the current school year who is found to
22 be in need of remediation in reading. The reimbursement shall be
23 for expenses incurred in reading assessment and remediation at those
24 grade levels pursuant to the provisions of the Reading Sufficiency
Act. School districts may be reimbursed up to Four Hundred Dollars

1 (\$400.00) for each student completing the third grade who is found
2 not to be reading at the third-grade level and who subsequently
3 participates in a summer reading remediation program. The State
4 Board of Education shall promulgate rules for such a course that
5 specify at least four (4) weeks of tutoring a half (1/2) day each
6 day. The summer reading remediation programs shall be taught by
7 teachers who have successfully completed a professional development
8 institute in reading administered by the Oklahoma Commission for
9 Teacher Preparation or a scientifically-based reading professional
10 development program administered by the State Board of Education.

11 B. ~~In order to~~ To be reimbursed, school districts shall file a
12 claim with the State Department of Education at the end of each
13 school semester or prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the
14 remediation is provided. Claims from summer remediation provided in
15 July or August shall be filed with the first semester claim of the
16 subsequent school year. Claims shall be reimbursed in a timely
17 manner. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules for the
18 administration of reimbursements.

19 C. If a teacher attends and completes a professional
20 development institute in elementary reading approved by the Oklahoma
21 Commission for Teacher Preparation during the summer or when school
22 is not in session, the teacher shall receive a stipend equal to the
23 amount of the cost for a substitute teacher, based on the amount of
24 funds allocated.

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

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