

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 1057

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution relating to student  
8 remediation; establishing the Task Force on Student  
9 Remediation; providing for appointments; providing  
10 for designation of cochairs; providing for meetings  
11 and staffing; providing for reimbursement for travel;  
12 providing for purpose; and requiring certain report.

13 WHEREAS, thousands of American students graduate high school  
14 academically unprepared for college; and

15 WHEREAS, according to the National Education Summit on High  
16 Schools, nearly one-third of entering postsecondary students require  
17 remedial or developmental work before entering college-level  
18 courses; and

19 WHEREAS, according to the February 8, 2007, Annual Student  
20 Remediation Report produced by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher  
21 Education, the percentage of Oklahoma students requiring remedial  
22 courses is even greater than one-third; and

23 WHEREAS, in an effort to further address the issues relating to  
24 student remediation, the Oklahoma Legislature believes that this  
serious and complicated problem requires a comprehensive and

1 multifaceted approach, which involves the creation of a task force  
2 with participation from the entire community in order to address the  
3 problem.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
5 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE  
6 CONCURRING THEREIN:

7 THAT there is hereby created to continue until January 31, 2009,  
8 the Task Force on Student Remediation.

9 THAT the Task Force shall consist of ten (10) members.

10 THAT of the ten members:

11 1. Four shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House  
12 of Representatives as follows:

13 a. one shall be the Chancellor of the Oklahoma State  
14 Regents for Higher Education, or designee,

15 b. one shall be a superintendent in the public schools,

16 c. one shall be a school administrator (including  
17 principal) at the secondary level of the public  
18 schools, and

19 d. one shall be a member of the Oklahoma House of  
20 Representatives,

21 2. Four shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
22 State Senate as follows:

23 a. one shall be the State Superintendent of Public  
24 Instruction, or designee,

1           b. one shall be a superintendent in the public schools,

2           c. one shall be an instructor of remedial courses at the  
3           community college level, and

4           d. one shall be a member of the State Senate, and

5       3. Two shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

6           a. one shall be an instructor of remedial courses at the  
7           college or university level, and

8           b. one shall be a teacher at the secondary level in the  
9           public schools.

10       THAT members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing  
11       authorities. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the  
12       original appointing authority.

13       THAT appointments to the Task Force shall be made by September  
14       1, 2008.

15       THAT the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and  
16       the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate shall each designate a  
17       cochair from among the members of the Task Force.

18       THAT the cochairs of the Task Force shall convene the first  
19       meeting of the Task Force on or before October 1, 2008.

20       THAT a majority of the members present at a meeting shall  
21       constitute a quorum to do business.

22       THAT members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for  
23       their service, but shall receive travel reimbursement from the  
24       appointing authority as follows:

1       1. Legislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed in  
2 accordance with the provisions of Section 456 of Title 74 of the  
3 Oklahoma Statutes; and

4       2. Nonlegislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed  
5 by their appointing authorities pursuant to the State Travel  
6 Reimbursement Act.

7       THAT the purpose of the Task Force shall be to study and make  
8 recommendations relating to the problem of student remediation.

9       THAT the Task Force shall issue a report of its recommendations  
10 to the Legislature and the Governor no later than December 31, 2008.

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