

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1563

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety;
8 directing the State Department of Health and the
9 State Department of Education to facilitate
10 development of a physical fitness assessment software
11 program; specifying capabilities of program;
12 providing for selection of schools to pilot program;
13 stating purpose of pilot program; providing for
14 codification; providing an effective date; and
15 declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-559.2 of Title 63, unless
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. The State Department of Health and the State Department of
21 Education shall facilitate the development of a physical fitness
22 assessment software program customized for public schools in this
23 state that has the capability to track the five components of
24 student health-related physical fitness, including:

- 25 1. Aerobic capacity;
- 26 2. Muscular strength;

1 3. Muscular endurance;

2 4. Flexibility; and

3 5. A weight status assessment that includes measurement of
4 height and weight, calculation of body mass index (BMI) for age, and
5 plotting of these measures on standard growth charts.

6 The software program shall have the capability of creating a
7 confidential individual student report for parents that includes an
8 explanation of the data and suggestions for appropriate actions that
9 may be taken to improve the health-related physical fitness level of
10 the student. In addition, the software program shall be developed
11 and made accessible to school districts at no cost.

12 B. The State Department of Health in consultation with the
13 State Department of Education and the Governor's Council on Physical
14 Fitness and Sports shall select at least fifteen (15) elementary
15 schools statewide to pilot the software program during the 2008-2009
16 school year. Pilot schools shall assess all students in grades
17 three, four and five. The purpose of the pilot shall be to:

18 1. Evaluate methods for administering the physical fitness
19 assessment to students;

20 2. Evaluate methods for reporting to parents;

21 3. Evaluate the software program to ensure that it provides for
22 the collection of data by school district in an efficient and cost
23 effective manner; and

1 4. Evaluate the usefulness of the health-related fitness
2 testing manual.

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

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

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