

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT
TO
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 604

By: Stanislawski of the
Senate

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Sears of the House
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8 An Act relating to schools; creating the Task Force
9 on Internet-Based Instruction; * * * providing for
10 noncodification; providing an effective date; and
11 declaring an emergency.

12 AUTHOR: Add the following House Coauthor: Fields

13 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause and entire bill
14 and insert

15 "An Act relating to schools; creating the Task Force
16 on Internet-Based Instruction; stating duties;
17 providing for membership, appointment, designation
18 of officers, quorum, staff support, and travel
19 reimbursement; requiring report of findings and
20 recommendations by certain deadline; providing for
21 noncodification; providing an effective date; and
22 declaring an emergency.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

1 A. There is hereby created until November 30, 2009, the Task
2 Force on Internet-Based Instruction. The task force shall conduct a
3 comprehensive review of Internet-based instruction in this state and
4 make recommendations regarding necessary changes to ensure
5 accountability for such programs in public schools.

6 B. The task force shall consist of seven (7) members as
7 follows:

8 1. Four members shall be selected from among public school
9 educators and administrators as follows:

10 a. two members appointed by the Governor,

11 b. one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
12 Representatives, and

13 c. one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of
14 the State Senate;

15 2. Two members shall be:

16 a. the Chair of the House Common Education Committee or a
17 designee, and

18 b. the Chair of the Senate Education Committee or a
19 designee; and

20 3. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction or a
21 designee.

22 C. The President Pro Tempore of the State Senate shall
23 designate the chair of the task force. The Speaker of the Oklahoma
24 House of Representatives shall designate the vice-chair of the task

1 force. Appointments to the task force shall be made by August 31,
2 2009. Meetings of the task force shall be held at the call of the
3 chair of the task force. Members shall serve at the pleasure of
4 their appointing authorities. A majority of the members of the task
5 force shall constitute a quorum to transact business, but no vacancy
6 shall impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all of
7 the powers of the task force. A vacancy on the task force shall be
8 filled by the original appointing authority. Staff support for the
9 task force shall be provided by the staff of the State Senate and
10 the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

11 D. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation for
12 serving on the task force, but shall receive travel reimbursement as
13 follows:

14 1. State employees who are members of the task force shall be
15 reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the performance of their
16 duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the State
17 Travel Reimbursement Act;

18 2. All other task force members shall be reimbursed by the
19 appointing authority for travel expenses incurred in the performance
20 of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement
21 Act; and

22 3. Legislative members shall be reimbursed in accordance with
23 Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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1 E. The task force shall submit a report by November 30, 2009,
2 to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate, and
3 the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. The report
4 shall include findings and recommendations for any statutory or
5 regulatory changes necessary to improve the accountability, funding,
6 and effectiveness of Internet-based instruction.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2009.

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

12 Passed the House of Representatives the 22nd day of April, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

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Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2009.

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