

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2929 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment submitted by: Ann Coody

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
4 SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2929

By: Coody

7 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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9 An Act relating to schools; creating the Oklahoma  
10 Advisory Council on Indian Education Act; stating  
11 purpose of the act; creating the Oklahoma Advisory  
12 Council on Indian Education; directing the Council to  
13 perform certain functions; stating membership of the  
14 Council; requiring appointments be made by a certain  
15 date; providing for meetings and election of  
16 officers; providing for service, quorum, and filling  
17 vacancies; providing for staff support; providing for  
18 travel reimbursement; making the Council subject to  
19 certain laws; making members of the Council exempt  
20 from dual-office-holding prohibitions; listing duties  
21 of the Council; requiring the Council to make an  
22 annual report; specifying certain content of the  
23 report; providing for codification; providing an  
24 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-171 of Title 70, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma  
Advisory Council on Indian Education Act".

1           SECTION 2.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-172 of Title 70, unless there  
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4           The purpose of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education  
5 Act is to recognize the unique relationship that Oklahoma enjoys  
6 with the Indian tribes located within the state and how Native  
7 Americans and Indian tribes play a pivotal role in the educational  
8 system of the state in light of this special relationship. The  
9 further purpose of the act is to establish the Oklahoma Advisory  
10 Council on Indian Education. The purpose of creating the Council is  
11 to promote equitable and culturally relevant learning environments,  
12 educational opportunities and instructional material for Native  
13 American students enrolled in the public schools of the state.  
14 Because of the number of Native American students enrolled in public  
15 schools in the state, this objective will positively affect the  
16 educational success of all public school students and encourage  
17 further government-to-government cooperation between the State of  
18 Oklahoma and the sovereign Indian tribes located in Oklahoma.

19           SECTION 3.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-173 of Title 70, unless there  
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22           A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Advisory Council on  
23 Indian Education.

24           B. The Council shall:

1           1. Make recommendations to the State Board of Education and the  
2 Superintendent of Public Instruction in educational matters  
3 affecting the education of Native American students;

4           2. Promote equal educational opportunity and improvement of the  
5 quality of education provided to Native American students throughout  
6 the state;

7           3. Advocate for Native American students in the state; and

8           4. Monitor and evaluate how the public education system of the  
9 state impacts Native American students.

10          C. The Council shall be composed of eighteen (18) members as  
11 follows:

12           1. Five members who shall each represent an Indian tribe in the  
13 state, appointed by the Governor from a list of nominations  
14 submitted by the different Indian tribes in the state;

15           2. Four members who shall each represent the tribal education  
16 departments of an Indian tribe in the state, appointed by the  
17 Governor from a list of nominations submitted by the different  
18 Indian tribes in the state;

19           3. One member who shall represent the Oklahoma Council on  
20 Indian Education, appointed by the Governor;

21           4. Two members who shall represent two different statewide  
22 organizations representing public school teachers, appointed by the  
23 President Pro tempore of the Senate;

1           5. One member who shall represent a statewide organization  
2 representing public school superintendents appointed by the Speaker  
3 of the House of Representatives;

4           6. One member who shall represent Oklahoma tribal colleges,  
5 appointed by the Chancellor of Higher Education;

6           7. The Director of the Native American Cultural and Educational  
7 Authority or designee;

8           8. The Chancellor of Higher Education, or designee;

9           9. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and  
10 Technology Education, or designee; and

11          10. The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or designee.

12          D. Appointments to the Council shall be made by September 1,  
13 2010. The first meeting of the Council shall be called by the  
14 Superintendent of Public Instruction. At the first meeting, the  
15 members of the Council shall elect a chair and vice-chair from among  
16 the members. Meetings of the Council shall be held at least  
17 quarterly at the call of the chair. Members shall serve at the  
18 pleasure of their appointing authorities. A majority of the members  
19 of the Council shall constitute a quorum to transact business, but  
20 no vacancy shall impair the right of the remaining members to  
21 exercise all of the powers of the Council. A vacancy on the Council  
22 shall be filled by the original appointing authority. The State  
23 Department of Education, Oklahoma Department of Career and  
24 Technology Education, and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher

1 Education shall provide staff, support and information as requested  
2 by the Council.

3 E. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for  
4 serving on the Council, but shall receive travel reimbursement as  
5 follows:

6 1. State employees who are members of the Council shall be  
7 reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the performance of their  
8 duties by their respective agencies in accordance with the State  
9 Travel Reimbursement Act; and

10 2. All other members of the Council shall be reimbursed by the  
11 Office of State Finance for travel expenses incurred in the  
12 performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel  
13 Reimbursement Act.

14 F. The Council shall act in accordance with the provisions of  
15 the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

16 G. Members who serve on the Council shall be exempt from the  
17 dual-office-holding prohibitions of Section 6 of Title 51 of the  
18 Oklahoma Statutes.

19 H. The Council shall have the following duties:

20 1. Identify strategies for developing an efficient and reliable  
21 process of communications between Oklahoma education entities,  
22 educators, tribal organizations and other interested parties;

23 2. Identify and disseminate research-based, measurable  
24 criteria, both behavioral and academic, by which the success and

1 efficacy of the education offered to Native American students in  
2 Oklahoma may be measured;

3 3. Analyze data to ensure that education agencies in Oklahoma  
4 continue to address the education needs of Native American students;

5 4. Encourage and promote Native American educational leadership  
6 at all levels of the education system; and

7 5. Make recommendations to the State Board of Education for  
8 programs that will help achieve the purposes of the Oklahoma  
9 Advisory Council on Indian Education Act.

10 I. The Council shall evaluate and make an annual report on the  
11 effectiveness of the public education system in Oklahoma in meeting  
12 the needs of Native American students in Oklahoma. The report shall  
13 be submitted to the State Board of Education. The report shall also  
14 contain a summary of the findings made by the Council pursuant to  
15 subsection H of this section, a summary of all data collected by the  
16 Council, a summary of the means by which all data was collected by  
17 the Council, and any other information deemed necessary by the  
18 Council.

19 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2010.

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

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