

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend SB1617
_____ 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: Lee Denney _____

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE

4 SUBSTITUTE

5 FOR ENGROSSED

6 SENATE BILL NO. 1617

By: Halligan of the Senate

and

Denney of the House

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9 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to schools; amending Section 1,
11 Chapter 195, O.S.L. 2009 (70 O.S. Supp. 2009, Section
12 1210.544), which relates to alternate governance
13 arrangements; requiring certain school districts to
14 submit a compliance plan; requiring the State
15 Department of Education to make an annual report of
16 district plans to the Legislature; creating the
17 Oklahoma School Principal Training Task Force;
18 stating purpose of the Task Force; listing specific
19 topics of study; providing for membership; providing
20 for cochairs, meetings, appointments, quorums and
21 vacancies; providing for staff support; providing for
22 travel reimbursement; requiring Task Force to submit
23 a report by certain date; providing for
24 noncodification; providing an effective date; and
declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 195, O.S.L.

2009 (70 O.S. Supp. 2009, Section 1210.544), is amended to read as

follows:

1 Section 1210.544 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of
2 state law, for schools that are identified for school improvement by
3 the State Board of Education for four (4) consecutive years, the
4 district board of education shall implement one of the following
5 alternative governance arrangements for the school in accordance
6 with subparagraph (B) of subsection (b)(8) of Section 1116 of Public
7 Law No. 107-110:

8 1. Reopening the school as a public charter school;

9 2. Replacing all or most of the school staff assigned to the
10 school, which may include the principal, who are relevant to the
11 failure to make adequate yearly progress and by transferring the
12 replaced staff to another school or by dismissing or not reemploying
13 the replaced staff in accordance with the provisions of the Teacher
14 Due Process Act of 1990;

15 3. Entering into a contract with an entity, such as a private
16 management company, with a demonstrated record of effectiveness, to
17 operate the public school;

18 4. Turning the operation of the school over to the State Board
19 of Education; or

20 5. Any other major restructuring of the governance arrangement
21 of the school that makes fundamental reforms, such as significant
22 changes in the staffing and governance of the school, to improve
23 student academic achievement in the school and that has substantial
24 promise of enabling the school to make adequate yearly progress. If

1 the chosen governance arrangement does not produce adequate yearly
2 progress within two (2) years from the date of implementation of the
3 restructured governance arrangement, the State Board of Education
4 shall assume control of the school as provided for in subsection B
5 of this section.

6 B. For any school that fails to comply with the provisions of
7 subsection A of this section by the end of the school year following
8 its identification for school improvement for four (4) consecutive
9 years, the State Board of Education shall assume control of the
10 management and operations of the school, including control of the
11 staff assigned to the school. The Board shall retain all funds that
12 otherwise would have been allocated to the school district based on
13 the average daily membership of the school which shall be used to
14 operate the school.

15 C. 1. Each school district subject to the provisions of
16 subsection A of this section shall submit a plan for compliance with
17 this section to the State Department of Education, in a manner
18 prescribed by the Department.

19 2. Beginning December 31, 2010, and annually each year
20 thereafter, the State Department of Education shall submit a report
21 of the district plans received as provided in paragraph 1 of this
22 subsection to the members of the Senate and House Education
23 Committees.

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1 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
2 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

3 A. There is hereby created until December 31, 2010, the
4 Oklahoma School Principal Training Task Force. The Task Force shall
5 conduct a review of the current training requirements for principal
6 certification in Oklahoma and study ways to improve and incorporate
7 more leadership training into the requirements.

8 B. The Task Force shall study topics including, but not limited
9 to, the following:

10 1. The current school principal certification requirements;

11 2. The type and depth of proven leadership skills needed for a
12 school principal to be effective; and

13 3. Training programs, methods, or models used for developing
14 leadership skills in school principals.

15 C. The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

16 1. The Chair of the House of Representatives Committee on
17 Common Education;

18 2. The Vice-chair of the House of Representatives Committee on
19 Common Education;

20 3. The Chair of the House of Representatives Appropriations and
21 Budget Subcommittee on Education;

22 4. The Vice-chair of the House of Representatives
23 Appropriations and Budget Subcommittee on Education;

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- 1 5. The Chair of the Oklahoma State Senate Committee on
2 Education;
- 3 6. The Vice-chair of the Oklahoma State Senate Committee on
4 Education;
- 5 7. The Chair of the Oklahoma State Senate Appropriations and
6 Budget Subcommittee on Education;
- 7 8. The Vice-chair of the Oklahoma State Senate Appropriations
8 and Budget Subcommittee on Education;
- 9 9. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, or designee;
- 10 10. The Chancellor of Higher Education, or designee;
- 11 11. The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Commission for
12 Teacher Preparation, or designee;
- 13 12. A faculty member in the teacher education department of a
14 comprehensive higher education institution within The Oklahoma State
15 System of Higher Education appointed by the Speaker of the House of
16 Representatives;
- 17 13. A faculty member in the teacher education department of a
18 regional higher education institution within The Oklahoma State
19 System of Higher Education appointed by the President Pro Tempore of
20 the State Senate; and
- 21 14. A representative of a statewide organization representing
22 public school superintendents, appointed by the Governor.
- 23 D. The chairs of the Oklahoma State Senate Appropriations and
24 Budget Subcommittee on Education and the House of Representatives

1 Appropriations and Budget Subcommittee on Education shall serve as
2 cochairs of the Task Force. The cochairs of the Task Force shall
3 call the first meeting of the Task Force. Appointments to the Task
4 Force shall be made by September 1, 2010. Meetings of the Task
5 Force shall be held at the call of either cochair of the Task Force.
6 Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities.
7 A majority of the members of the Task Force shall constitute a
8 quorum to transact business, but no vacancy shall impair the right
9 of the remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Task
10 Force. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the original
11 appointing authority.

12 E. Staff support for the Task Force shall be provided by the
13 staff of the House of Representatives and State Senate. The State
14 Department of Education, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
15 Education, and the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation shall
16 provide support and information as requested by the Task Force.

17 F. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for
18 serving on the Task Force, but shall receive travel reimbursement as
19 follows:

20 1. Legislative members shall be reimbursed in accordance with
21 Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

22 2. State employee members shall be reimbursed for travel
23 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties by their
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1 respective agencies in accordance with the State Travel
2 Reimbursement Act; and

3 3. All other members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses
4 incurred in the performance of their duties by the appointing
5 authority in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

6 G. The Task Force shall submit a report by December 31, 2010,
7 to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the
8 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report shall include
9 findings for any statutory or regulatory changes necessary to
10 implement the recommendations of the Task Force.

11 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2010.

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

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