

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend SB275
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the printed Bill
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: Brian Renegar _____

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE
4 SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR ENGROSSED
6 SENATE BILL NO. 275

By: Corn of the Senate

and

Renegar of the House

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10 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 (technology center school districts - requiring
12 State Board of Career and Technology Education to
13 promulgate rules - effective date -

14 emergency)
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 14-108, as
20 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2003 (70 O.S. Supp.
21 2008, Section 14-108), is amended to read as follows:

22 Section 14-108. A. The State Board of Career and Technology
23 Education shall prescribe criteria and procedures for the
24 establishment and governance of technology center school districts,

1 as provided by Section 9B, Article X, Oklahoma Constitution, and
2 such districts so established shall be operated in accordance with
3 rules of the State Board of Career and Technology Education, except
4 as otherwise provided in this title.

5 B. A technology center school district shall be a body
6 corporate and shall possess the usual powers of a corporation for
7 public purposes. Its official name shall be designated by the State
8 Board of Career and Technology Education, in which name it may sue
9 and be sued, and be capable of contracting and being contracted
10 with, and holding real and personal estate.

11 ~~Its~~ C. The governing board of a technology center school
12 district shall be a board of education consisting of not less than
13 five (5) nor more than seven (7) members. Except as otherwise
14 provided for in subsection D of this section, all members of the
15 board of education shall be elected in a manner prescribed by the
16 State Board of Career and Technology Education ~~Such~~. The State
17 Board shall promulgate rules prescribing the manner in which the
18 elections required by this subsection are held.

19 D. In a technology center school district that serves seventy
20 or more public school districts, the territory of the school
21 district shall be divided into district zones by the State Board of
22 Career and Technology Education. Between August 1 and December 31
23 of the year following the submission by the United States Department
24 of Commerce to the President of the United States of the official

1 Federal Decennial Census, the Board shall reapportion the territory
2 of the technology center school district into district zones. All
3 boundaries of district zones shall follow clearly visible,
4 definable, and observable physical boundaries which are based upon
5 criteria established and recognized by the Bureau of the Census of
6 the United States Department of Commerce for purposes of defining
7 census blocks for its decennial census and shall follow, as much as
8 possible, precinct boundaries. District zones shall be compact,
9 contiguous and shall be as equal in population as practical with not
10 more than a five-percent variance between the most populous and
11 least populous district zones. The board of education of a
12 technology center school district shall consist of one member
13 elected from each of the district zones of the school district
14 created pursuant to this subsection. The electors of each district
15 zone shall elect a person, who is a resident of the district zone,
16 to represent the district zone on the school board. If during the
17 term of office to which a person was elected, that member ceases to
18 be a resident of the district zone for which the person was elected,
19 the office shall become vacant and the vacancy shall be filled as
20 provided in Section 13A-110 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
21 The State Board of Career and Technology Education shall promulgate
22 rules prescribing the manner in which the elections required by this
23 subsection are held.

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1 E. The board of education of a technology center school
2 district shall have the same powers and duties that boards of
3 education of independent school districts have. It may require
4 nonresident students to pay reasonable tuition fees, which may be
5 paid for a student by the independent or elementary school district
6 in which the student resides.

7 ~~E.~~ F. An election to vote on the question of making a levy of
8 not to exceed five (5) mills on the dollar valuation of the taxable
9 property in a technology center school district under the provisions
10 of subsection A, Section 9B, Article X, Oklahoma Constitution, shall
11 be called by the board of education and conducted by the county
12 election board of such district in the same manner that elections
13 for emergency levies in school districts under the provisions of
14 Section 9(d), Article X, Oklahoma Constitution, are called and
15 conducted. When such levy is approved by a majority of the electors
16 of the technology center school district voting on the question at
17 such election, the levy shall be made each fiscal year thereafter
18 until repealed by a majority of the electors of the district voting
19 on the question at an election called for such purpose. An election
20 to vote on the question of making a local incentive levy of not to
21 exceed five (5) mills on the dollar valuation of the taxable
22 property in a technology center school district under the provisions
23 of subsection B of Section 9B of Article X of the Oklahoma
24 Constitution, may be called by the board of education; and elections

1 on a levy for a building fund for an area school district under the
2 provisions of Section 10, Article X, Oklahoma Constitution, shall be
3 called by the board of education of such district and conducted by
4 the county election board in the same manner that elections for
5 similar levies are called and conducted in independent school
6 districts.

7 ~~D.~~ G. Annual estimates of needs of technology center school
8 districts shall be made and approved in the same manner that those
9 of independent school districts are made and approved. Provided,
10 that the State Board of Career and Technology Education shall
11 prescribe a list of appropriation accounts by which the funds of
12 technology center school districts shall be budgeted, accounted for
13 and expended. Any such estimate of needs may include an estimate of
14 federal funds as probable income from sources other than ad valorem
15 tax of the district and other than any excise or other tax assessed
16 by legislative enactment and distributed in lieu of ad valorem
17 taxes. If a technology center school district lies in more than one
18 county, the district's estimate of needs shall be filed with and
19 approved by the county excise board of the county designated by the
20 school district board of education.

21 ~~E.~~ H. Territory may be annexed to or detached from a technology
22 center school district, in accordance with rules prescribed by the
23 State Board of Career and Technology Education. If the State Board
24 of Career and Technology Education requires the submission of a

1 petition in order for an election to be called for the purpose of
2 annexation or deannexation of territory to a technology center
3 school district, such petition shall not be required to bear a
4 number of technology center school district electors' signatures
5 which exceed fifty percent (50%) of the number of technology center
6 school district electors who voted in the last school board election
7 in the territory proposed to be annexed or deannexed. Provided, the
8 period of time from which the petition is initiated to its time of
9 filing with the State Board shall not exceed ninety (90) days.

10 ~~F.~~ I. Schools of technology center school districts shall be
11 subject to classification, inspection and accreditation by the State
12 Board of Education.

13 ~~G.~~ J. The technology center school board of education may
14 designate a county treasurer to serve as treasurer of the school
15 district or may appoint an independent treasurer.

16 ~~H.~~ K. Within four (4) years after the creation of a technology
17 center school district, such school district may, at its discretion,
18 permit a teacher to transfer any or all accrued benefits upon
19 employment including credit for years of service in the previous
20 school district by the technology center school district, if the
21 teacher at the time of hiring is employed as a teacher by an
22 independent or elementary school district which is all or partly
23 within the boundaries of the technology center school district or is

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1 employed as a teacher in a skills center within the boundaries of
2 the school district.

3 ~~F.~~ L. The board of education of a technology center school
4 district may convey personal property without consideration to a
5 school district that is within the boundary of the technology center
6 school district or a public school offering secondary level
7 education which was created and is operated by the State of Oklahoma
8 and that is within the boundary of the technology center school
9 district.

10 ~~J.~~ M. The board of education of a technology center school
11 district may, without prior approval of the State Board of Career
12 and Technology Education, approve all plans and specifications for
13 technology center school buildings, additions, and major
14 modifications to school buildings that are designed to provide for
15 the offering of vocational-technical education programs and services
16 when the cost of the building project is to be paid with local
17 levies or state bond monies or both local levies and state bond
18 monies.

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

20 SECTION 3. 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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