

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2161

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending Section 12,
8 Chapter 432, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section
9 509.11), which relates to access to school district
10 employees by an employee organization; prohibiting
11 certain speakers from speaking at certain teacher
12 meetings for political purposes; and declaring an
13 emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 432, O.S.L.
16 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 509.11), is amended to read as
17 follows:

18 Section 509.11 A. No school district, employee of a school
19 district, or employee organization shall deny by any means,
20 including a collective bargaining agreement, a statewide
21 professional educators' association equal access to employees of the
22 school district, to the same extent that access is granted to other
23 educators' associations. For purposes of this section, access shall
24 include, but is not limited to:

- 1 1. Setting up informational tables at in-service or other
- 2 similar teacher meetings;
- 3 2. Speaking at in-service or other similar teacher meetings;
- 4 3. Distributing information in school mail boxes or through the
- 5 school e-mail system;
- 6 4. Utilizing school district meeting rooms during nonworking
- 7 hours;
- 8 5. Representing employees in employment matters, when requested
- 9 by the employee;
- 10 6. Posting information on school district bulletin boards; and
- 11 7. Utilizing school district printing services.

12 B. Any association which utilizes school district facilities or
13 services shall reimburse the district for any costs incurred by the
14 district.

15 C. No school district, employee of a school district, or
16 employee organization shall allow a speaker or speakers, including
17 but not limited to a candidate for political office, to speak at an
18 in-service or other similar teacher meeting or distribute material
19 at the meeting for the purpose of influencing the results of an
20 election for state or local office or a ballot measure or for the
21 purpose of soliciting funds for or against a candidate for state or
22 local office or a ballot measure.

23 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

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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