

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3126

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to children; amending 10 O.S. 2001,  
8 Section 640.1, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter  
9 15, O.S.L. 2009 (10 O.S. Supp. 2009, Section 640.1),  
10 which relates to the creation of the Oklahoma  
11 Partnership for School Readiness Board; expanding  
12 duties of the Oklahoma Partnership for School  
13 Readiness Board; adding State Director of Head Start  
14 Collaboration in Oklahoma as public sector  
15 representative on Oklahoma Partnership for School  
16 Readiness Board; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2001, Section 640.1, as  
last amended by Section 1, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2009 (10 O.S. Supp.  
2009, Section 640.1), is amended to read as follow:

Section 640.1 A. There is hereby created until July 1, 2013,  
in accordance with the Oklahoma Sunset Law, the Oklahoma Partnership  
for School Readiness Board. The Board shall promote school  
readiness supporting community-based efforts to increase the number  
of children who are ready to succeed by the time they enter school,  
and. The Board shall additionally serve as the state's Early  
Childhood Advisory Council and fulfill the responsibilities

1 described in the Head Start Act of 2007 (PL 110-134, Section 642B).

2 The Board shall consist of representatives from the private and  
3 public sectors as follows:

4 1. Fifteen private sector representatives appointed by the  
5 Governor from a list submitted by an existing private-sector school  
6 readiness initiative that includes in its focus community  
7 mobilization and public engagement activities to include:

8 a. two parents of children eight (8) years of age or  
9 younger, and

10 b. one representative of licensed child care providers;

11 2. One representative of the licensed child care industry  
12 appointed by the Governor from a list submitted by an association  
13 representing the licensed child care industry in this state;

14 3. One representative of a state association of federally  
15 funded early childhood programs appointed by the Governor; and

16 4. To ensure that existing resources are being utilized  
17 effectively, ~~fourteen~~ fifteen public sector representatives or their  
18 designees as follows:

19 a. State Superintendent of Public Instruction,

20 b. State Commissioner of Health,

21 c. Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and  
22 Substance Abuse Services,

23 d. Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce,

24 e. Director of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries,

- 1 f. Director of the Department of Human Services,  
2 g. Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority,  
3 h. Director of the Oklahoma Commission on Children and  
4 Youth,  
5 i. Director of the State Department of Rehabilitation  
6 Services,  
7 j. Executive Director of the Oklahoma Educational  
8 Television Authority,  
9 k. Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and  
10 Technology Education,  
11 l. Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher  
12 Education,  
13 m. Cabinet Secretary with responsibility for education  
14 agencies, ~~and~~  
15 n. Dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences,  
16 Oklahoma State University, and  
17 o. State Director of Head Start Collaboration.

18 B. Members appointed by the Governor shall serve terms of four  
19 (4) years; provided, of those members initially appointed to the  
20 Board, eight members shall be appointed for two-year terms,  
21 beginning September 1, 2003, and seven members shall be appointed  
22 for four-year terms, beginning September 1, 2003, as designated by  
23 the Governor. The member appointed pursuant to paragraph 2 of  
24 subsection A of this section shall be appointed for an initial term

1 to end on August 31, 2007. The member appointed pursuant to  
2 paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section shall be appointed for  
3 an initial term to end on August 31, 2009. Appointed members shall  
4 continue in office until a successor is appointed by the Governor.  
5 The Governor shall fill all vacancies in the same manner as the  
6 original appointment was made.

7 C. The Director of the Department of Human Services shall  
8 convene an organizational meeting of the Oklahoma Partnership for  
9 School Readiness Board prior to November 1, 2003, at which time  
10 members of the Board shall elect a chair, a vice-chair, and other  
11 officers as needed. A majority of the members of the Board shall  
12 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

13 D. Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for  
14 serving on the Board but shall receive travel reimbursement as  
15 follows:

16 1. State agency officers and employees who are members of the  
17 Board shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the  
18 performance of their duties by their respective agencies in  
19 accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

20 2. Remaining members shall be reimbursed by the Board from any  
21 funds received by the Board for travel expenses incurred in the  
22 performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel  
23 Reimbursement Act.

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1 E. Members of the Board shall be exempt from the dual-office-  
2 holding provisions of Section 6 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma  
3 Statutes.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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