

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE BILL 973

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 2602, as amended by Section 7, Chapter 278,
9 O.S.L. 2006 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 2602), which
10 relates to the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access
11 Program; providing statutory reference; and declaring
12 an emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 2602, as
15 amended by Section 7, Chapter 278, O.S.L. 2006 (70 O.S. Supp. 2008,
16 Section 2602), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 2602. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Higher
18 Learning Access Program. The program shall also be known as
19 "Oklahoma's Promise". The purpose of the program is to provide an
20 award to students who meet the criteria set forth in the Oklahoma
21 Higher Learning Access Act, Section 2601 et seq. of this title, and
22 who are pursuing studies in this state leading to an associate or
23 baccalaureate degree or who are pursuing studies in a postsecondary
24 vocational-technical program or course offered pursuant to a duly
approved cooperative agreement between a technology center school

1 and an institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education,
2 and who are in good academic standing in the institution of higher
3 education or technology center school in which enrolled, to relieve
4 them of the burden of paying resident tuition at institutions of The
5 Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, to relieve them of the
6 burden of paying tuition for enrollment in postsecondary programs of
7 the technology center districts, or to relieve them of some portion
8 of the burden of paying such fees or tuition, pursuant to the
9 provisions of this act, Section 2601 et seq. of this title, as may
10 be required of enrollees at private institutions of higher education
11 which are accredited pursuant to Section 4103 of this title. The
12 further purpose of this program is to establish and maintain a
13 variety of support services whereby a broader range of the general
14 student population of this state will be prepared for success in
15 postsecondary endeavors.

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

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