

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature (2012)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2596

By: Holland of the House

and

Fields of the Senate

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11                   An Act relating to schools; creating the Education  
12 Mandates Review Task Force; directing the Task Force  
13 to study certain issues and make recommendations;  
14 specifying certain issues; establishing membership;  
15 providing for cochairs, meetings, service, quorum,  
16 vacancies and staff support; directing state agencies  
17 to provide support and information; prohibiting  
18 compensation or travel reimbursement; requiring the  
19 Task Force to submit certain reports; providing for  
20 noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

24                   A. There is hereby created until May 31, 2013, the Education  
Mandates Review Task Force.

UNDERLINED language denotes Amendments to present Statutes.  
**BOLD FACE CAPITALIZED** language denotes Committee Amendments.  
~~Strike thru~~ language denotes deletion from present Statutes.

1 B. The Task Force shall identify, study and make a report on  
2 all state and federal laws which establish mandates for common  
3 education schools. The Task Force shall:

4 1. Identify all laws that establish mandates for public schools  
5 in the state including the:

- 6 a. function of each law,
- 7 b. legal source of the law (federal, state, or other),
- 8 c. substance of the law, and
- 9 d. federal, state and local funding requirements;

10 2. Determine the current federal, state and local funding  
11 sources and amounts for implementing the identified laws which  
12 establish mandates; and

13 3. Any other relevant issues.

14 C. The Task Force shall consist of nine (9) members as  
15 follows:

16 1. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction or designee;

17 2. The Secretary of Education or designee;

18 3. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and  
19 Technology Education or designee;

20 4. A staff member of the Office of State Finance appointed by  
21 the Director of the Office of State Finance;

22 5. The Executive Director of the Office of Accountability or  
23 designee;

1           6. A representative of a statewide organization representing  
2 public school superintendents, appointed by the Governor;

3           7. A representative of a statewide organization representing  
4 public school teachers, appointed by the Governor;

5           8. A member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the  
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

7           9. A member of the Senate, appointed by the President Pro  
8 Tempore of the Senate.

9           D. The member of the House of Representatives and the member of  
10 the Senate shall serve as cochairs of the Task Force. Appointments  
11 to the Task Force shall be made within thirty (30) days after the  
12 effective date of this act. Meetings of the Task Force shall be  
13 held at the call of either cochair of the Task Force. Members shall  
14 serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. A majority  
15 of the members of the Task Force shall constitute a quorum to  
16 transact business, but no vacancy shall impair the right of the  
17 remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Task Force.  
18 A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the original  
19 appointing authority. Staff support for the Task Force shall be  
20 provided by the staff of the House of Representatives, Senate and  
21 State Department of Education. Other state agencies shall provide  
22 support and information as requested by the Task Force.

1 E. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation or  
2 travel reimbursement for serving on the Task Force.

3 F. The Task Force shall submit a preliminary report by December  
4 31, 2012, and a final report by May 31, 2013, to the Governor, the  
5 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
6 Representatives.

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

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12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02/16/2012 - DO PASS,  
13 As Amended and Coauthored.

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