

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1458

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; directing the State Board
8 of Career and Technology Education to assume
9 operations of certain regional programs administered
10 by the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics;
11 providing for the transfer of property, records and
12 personnel; stating legislative intent; directing the
13 Board to solicit proposals for programs at certain
14 locations; providing for a selection committee;
15 providing for the establishment of an Advisory
16 Council; specifying certain duties of the Advisory
17 Council; providing for recruitment and hiring of
18 faculty; providing for transportation of students;
19 repealing 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.404, which
20 relates to the development of advanced science and
21 mathematics programs; providing for codification;
22 providing an effective date; and declaring an
23 emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 14-131 of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. 1. Effective July 1, 2011, the State Board of Career and
Technology Education is hereby directed to assume the
administrative, supervisory and instructional operations of the

1 regional advanced science and mathematics programs currently
2 administered by the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics.

3 2. All property, records and personnel of the Oklahoma School
4 of Science and Mathematics who are assigned to the regional advanced
5 science and mathematics programs, including related liabilities for
6 sick leave, annual leave, holidays, unemployment benefits and
7 workers' compensation benefits accruing prior to July 1, 2011, to
8 such personnel shall be transferred to the State Board of Career and
9 Technology Education as of July 1, 2011. It is the intent of the
10 Legislature that, to the extent possible, the Board shall ensure
11 that the employees retain pay and benefits as much as possible.

12 B. The State Board of Career and Technology Education shall
13 solicit proposals for the establishment of programs implementing
14 advanced science and math curriculum from technology center school
15 sites, higher education institutions, or school district sites. The
16 Board shall establish a selection committee to assist the Board in
17 selecting sites for programs.

18 C. The Board shall establish an Advisory Council to assist the
19 Board in the development of the regional advanced science and
20 mathematics programs. The Advisory Council shall establish
21 eligibility criteria for student participation in the program. The
22 Advisory Council shall have final approval of the curriculum and
23 shall set academic standards for the program. The Advisory Council
24 shall work with each participating site to determine the advanced

1 science and math curriculum needs for the area served by the
2 program.

3 D. A representative of the Board and participating technology
4 center school, higher education institution or school site shall
5 work together in the recruitment and hiring of faculty for a
6 program.

7 E. The participating technology center school district shall
8 provide transportation for those students attending the program at
9 the technology center school site. School districts at their option
10 may provide transportation for students attending at higher
11 education sites.

12 SECTION 2. REPEALER 70 O.S. 2001, Section 1210.404, is
13 hereby repealed.

14 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2011.

15 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
16 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
17 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
18 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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