

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2698

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; creating the Oklahoma  
8 Physical Activity and Academic Performance Task  
9 Force; stating duties; providing for membership,  
10 appointment, designation of first meeting, election  
11 of chair, quorum, staff support, and travel  
reimbursement; requiring report of findings and  
recommendations by certain deadline; providing for  
noncodification; providing an effective date; and  
declaring an emergency.

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

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

17 A. There is hereby created until June 30, 2013, the Oklahoma  
18 Physical Activity and Academic Performance Task Force. The Task  
19 Force shall:

- 20 1. Seek to understand and address the major challenges facing  
21 this state and country associated with decreased physical activity;
- 22 2. Seek to understand the link between physical activity and  
23 improved academic performance;
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1           3. Identify opportunities to improve the health and academic  
2 performance of students through making indoor and outdoor physical  
3 activity experiences part of the regular school curriculum and  
4 creating programs that promote healthy lifestyles through physical  
5 activity and nutrition;

6           4. Create opportunities for enhanced and ongoing professional  
7 development of teachers by improving teachers' knowledge of physical  
8 activity and nutrition;

9           5. Identify opportunities to allow students to engage in  
10 physical activity by providing educational experiences that are  
11 based on outdoor activities and use outdoor facilities; and

12           6. Identify opportunities to incorporate field-based learning,  
13 place-based learning, service learning, outdoor learning or  
14 experimental learning.

15           B. The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

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

17           2. Four members of the public appointed by the Governor;

18           3. Three members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives  
19 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

20           4. Three members of the Oklahoma State Senate appointed by the  
21 President Pro Tempore of the State Senate.

22           C. Appointments to the Task Force shall be made by July 31,  
23 2012. The first meeting of the Task Force shall be held by August  
24 31, 2012. The members of the Task Force shall elect a chair at the

1 first meeting of the Task Force. Additional meetings of the Task  
2 Force shall be held at the call of the chair of the Task Force.  
3 Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities.  
4 A majority of the members of the Task Force shall constitute a  
5 quorum to transact business, but no vacancy shall impair the right  
6 of the remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Task  
7 Force. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the original  
8 appointing authority. Staff support for the Task Force shall be  
9 provided by the staff of the House of Representatives and State  
10 Senate. The State Department of Education shall provide support and  
11 information as requested by the Task Force.

12 D. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for  
13 serving on the Task Force, but shall receive travel reimbursement.  
14 Legislative members shall be reimbursed in accordance with Section  
15 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Nonlegislative members  
16 shall be reimbursed in accordance with the State Travel  
17 Reimbursement Act.

18 E. The Task Force shall submit a report by June 30, 2013, to  
19 the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the  
20 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report shall include  
21 findings for any statutory or regulatory changes necessary to  
22 implement the recommendations of the Task Force.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2012.  
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1       SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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