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OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE  
CONFERENCE  
COMMITTEE REPORT

April 4, 2012

Mr. President:

Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB 260

By: Ford and Stanislawski of the Senate and Denney of the House

Title: Charter schools; considered governmental unit for purpose of issuing bonds.

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together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

1. That the House recede from all Amendments.
2. That the attached 2<sup>nd</sup> Conference Committee Substitute be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
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HOUSE CONFEREES:

General Conference Committee on Appropriations

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

3 2ND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED

5 SENATE BILL NO. 260

6 By: Ford and Stanislawski of  
7 the Senate

8 and

9 Denney of the House

10 2ND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001,  
12 Section 18-108, as last amended by Section 9, Chapter  
13 432, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 18-  
14 108), which relates to free public kindergarten;  
15 clarifying certain language; and extending by two  
16 years requirement to provide full-day kindergarten.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 18-108, as  
19 last amended by Section 9, Chapter 432, O.S.L. 2005 (70 O.S. Supp.  
20 2010, Section 18-108), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 18-108. A. It is the intent of the Legislature to  
22 provide a free public kindergarten for every five-year-old child in  
23 this state.

24 B. Each day during which a child attends a kindergarten for two  
and one-half (2 1/2) hours or more shall be counted as one hundred

1 percent (100%) of one (1) day of average daily attendance. Each day  
2 a kindergarten student is on the membership roll in a school  
3 district shall be counted as one hundred percent (100%) of one (1)  
4 day of average daily membership.

5 C. It shall be the duty of every school district in this state  
6 to provide and offer kindergarten free of tuition for every child  
7 residing in ~~such~~ the district who attains the age of five (5) years  
8 on or before the first day of September during the school year such  
9 kindergarten is offered, ~~provided that this.~~ The duty to provide  
10 and offer kindergarten may be satisfied by transferring kindergarten  
11 children to other school districts which accept them and provide  
12 kindergarten for such children, or by contracting for classroom  
13 space with a licensed public or licensed private child care provider  
14 based upon selection criteria established by the district.

15 D. A kindergarten program may be offered jointly by school  
16 districts that have formed interlocal cooperative agreements  
17 pursuant to Section 5-117b of this title.

18 E. Beginning with the ~~2011-2012~~ 2013-2014 school year, it shall  
19 be the duty of every school district in this state to provide and  
20 offer a full six-hour day of kindergarten free of tuition for every  
21 child residing in the district who attains the age of five (5) years  
22 on or before the first day of September during the school year  
23 kindergarten is offered, ~~provided that this.~~ The duty to provide  
24 and offer kindergarten may be satisfied by intra-district transfer

1 to a school offering full-day kindergarten, by transferring  
2 kindergarten children to other school districts which will accept  
3 them and can provide kindergarten for such children, or by  
4 contracting for classroom space with a licensed public or licensed  
5 private child care provider based upon selection criteria  
6 established by the district. A school district shall be exempt from  
7 the provisions of this subsection if the school district has voted  
8 indebtedness through the issuance of bonds or approval by voters of  
9 issuance of new bonds for more than eighty-five percent (85%) of the  
10 maximum allowable, pursuant to the provisions of Section 26 of  
11 Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, at any time within the  
12 previous five (5) years.

13 F. The requirement to attend kindergarten provided in Section  
14 10-105 of this title may be satisfied by attendance in either a  
15 half-day or full-day program. Membership in a kindergarten for  
16 either two and one-half (2 1/2) hours or six (6) hours per school  
17 day shall be counted as one (1) day for average daily membership  
18 purposes. For purposes of State Aid, the pupil grade level weight  
19 for a two-and-one-half-hour day of kindergarten shall be 1.3, and  
20 for a six-hour full day of kindergarten shall be 1.5.

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