

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2369 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment submitted by: Doug Cox \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
4 SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2369

By: Cox

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,  
10 Section 1-109, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter  
11 242, O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 1-109),  
12 which relates to the length of a school year;  
13 establishing a starting and ending date for the  
14 school year; providing an exception; and providing an  
15 effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 1-109, as  
18 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp.  
19 2013, Section 1-109), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 1-109. A. For all public schools in Oklahoma, other  
21 than schools operating on an extended school year, the school year  
22 shall begin on any day after August 31 and end no later than the  
23 Friday before Memorial Day. All public schools shall actually be in  
24 session and classroom instruction offered:

1. For not less than one hundred eighty (180) days; or

1           2. For not less than one thousand eighty (1,080) hours each  
2 school year, if a district board of education adopts a school-hours  
3 policy and notifies the State Board of Education prior to September  
4 15 of the applicable school year.

5           B. A school district may not count more than thirty (30) hours  
6 each school year that are used for attendance of professional  
7 meetings toward the one hundred eighty (180) days or one thousand  
8 eighty (1,080) hours of classroom instruction time required in  
9 subsection A of this section.

10          C. Teachers off contract with an employing district shall not  
11 be required by the employing school district to attend professional  
12 meetings unless the teacher is paid additional compensation for the  
13 additional time. Teachers may be paid additional compensation for  
14 attending professional meetings in excess of their contract term.  
15 Subject to district board of education policy or collective  
16 bargaining agreement, additional paid professional days may be  
17 granted for individual teachers to attend or participate in  
18 professional meetings, staff development training, or National Board  
19 certification portfolio development as provided for in Section 6-  
20 204.2 of this title.

21          D. A school district may authorize parent-teacher conferences  
22 to be held during a regular school day. If authorized by the school  
23 district, parent-teacher conferences shall be counted as classroom  
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1 instruction time for no more than six (6) hours per semester, for a  
2 total of twelve (12) hours per school year.

3 E. A school district may maintain school for less than a full  
4 school year only when conditions beyond the control of school  
5 authorities make the maintenance of the term impossible and the  
6 State Board of Education has been apprised and has expressed  
7 concurrence in writing.

8 F. The State Board of Education shall establish criteria for an  
9 extended-day schedule for schools subject to paragraph 1 of  
10 subsection A of this section. The criteria shall:

11 1. Prescribe a lengthened school day within limits determined  
12 not to be detrimental to quality instruction;

13 2. Ensure that the schedule is equivalent in annual hours of  
14 instruction to the one-hundred-eighty-day school year specified in  
15 paragraph 1 of subsection A of this section; and

16 3. Be consistent with the provisions of this section and  
17 Sections 1-111 and 1-112 of this title, but may result in fewer  
18 annual days of instruction.

19 G. The State Board of Education may authorize school districts  
20 to implement an extended-day schedule for instruction pursuant to  
21 the criteria developed. The State Board of Education shall require  
22 the participating school districts to prepare a report of the impact  
23 of the extended-day schedule.

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1 H. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections F and G of  
2 this section, a school district board of education subject to  
3 paragraph 1 of subsection A of this section may adopt and implement  
4 an extended-day schedule for grades nine through twelve subject to  
5 the following requirements:

6 1. The annual number of hours of instruction shall equal or  
7 exceed one thousand eighty (1,080) hours, which is the equivalent of  
8 one hundred eighty (180) days of instruction as specified in  
9 subsection A of this section for six (6) hours each day as specified  
10 in Section 1-111 of this title;

11 2. The annual number of days of instruction shall equal or  
12 exceed one hundred eighty (180) days as specified in subsection A of  
13 this section;

14 3. The schedule adopted shall be consistent with the provisions  
15 of Sections 1-111 and 1-112 of this title, except that for not more  
16 than one (1) day per week, a school day shall consist of not less  
17 than five (5) hours devoted to academic instruction in a regular  
18 classroom setting;

19 4. The district shall hold a public hearing prior to the  
20 adoption of an extended-day schedule authorized pursuant to this  
21 subsection; and

22 5. The district shall document the impact on student  
23 achievement as determined by the academic performance data score and  
24 any other relevant factors that are a result of implementation of an

1 extended-day schedule authorized pursuant to this subsection and  
2 provide an annual report to the State Board of Education of the  
3 results. If improvement in student achievement cannot be documented  
4 in the report, the district board of education shall revoke  
5 authorization as provided by this subsection. If the district does  
6 not revoke authorization after student achievement is not documented  
7 in the report, the State Board of Education may deny accreditation  
8 of any school in violation of this subsection.

9 I. If subject to paragraph 2 of subsection A of this section, a  
10 district board of education or designee may elect to close a school  
11 during the school day for inclement weather purposes. In such an  
12 event, the number of hours incurred in classroom instruction time  
13 prior to school closure shall be counted toward the one thousand  
14 eighty (1,080) hours per year requirement.

15 J. Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the  
16 right of an employing school district to require teachers as defined  
17 in Section 6-101.3 of this title to work in excess of the one  
18 thousand eighty (1,080) hours required for student instruction. In  
19 addition, nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the  
20 Fair Labor Standards Act status of any school district employee.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.

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