

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 245

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Statewide Virtual Charter
8 School Board; amending Section 5, Chapter 367, O.S.L.
9 2012 (70 O.S. Supp. 2012, Section 3-145.3), which
10 relates to powers and duties of the Statewide Virtual
11 Charter School Board; directing certain report to be
12 submitted to the State Department of Education;
13 providing an effective date; and declaring an
14 emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 5, Chapter 367, O.S.L.
17 2012 (70 O.S. Supp. 2012, Section 3-145.3), is amended to read as
18 follows:

19 Section 3-145.3. A. Subject to limitations provided by the
20 State Board of Education and subject to the requirements of the
21 Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, the Statewide Virtual Charter School
22 Board shall:

23 1. Be the governing body of the statewide virtual charter
24 school;

2. Provide oversight of the operations of the statewide virtual
charter school;

1 3. Negotiate and enter into contracts with providers of virtual
2 education to provide academic content and with providers for the
3 management and administration of the statewide virtual charter
4 school;

5 4. Establish policies and procedures for student admissions
6 eligibility, student transfers, approval of online courses, and
7 student enrollment;

8 5. Submit annually, by November 1 of each year, to the
9 Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, ~~and~~ Speaker of the
10 House of Representatives and State Department of Education a report
11 on each provider which has entered into a contract with the Board
12 and each provider which has entered into a contract with a local
13 school district to provide full-time virtual instruction to students
14 who do not reside within the school district boundaries, that has
15 detailed data on the performance of students enrolled with the
16 provider through the statewide virtual charter school or school
17 district offering full-time virtual education to students who do not
18 reside within the school district. The report shall be posted on
19 the State Department of Education website.

20 B. The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board shall have
21 authority to issue a diploma to students enrolled in the statewide
22 virtual charter school full-time who have completed the curriculum
23 requirements for graduation as provided in Section 1210.523 of Title
24 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and as determined by the Board.

1 C. Each provider approved by the statewide virtual charter
2 school governed by the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board shall
3 be eligible to receive federal funds generated by students enrolled
4 in the charter school for the applicable year. Each provider shall
5 be considered a separate school site for purposes of reporting and
6 accountability.

7 D. As calculated as provided for in Section 3-142 of Title 70
8 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board
9 shall receive the state aid allocation and any other state-
10 appropriated revenue generated by students enrolled in the full-time
11 statewide virtual charter school for the applicable year, less up to
12 five percent (5%) of the state aid allocation, which may be retained
13 by the State Board of Education for administrative expenses, all
14 other funds shall be passed along to the providers. The statewide
15 virtual charter school shall be eligible for any other funding any
16 other charter school is eligible for as provided for in Section 3-
17 142 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Each provider shall be
18 considered a separate school site for purposes of reporting and
19 accountability.

20 E. Students enrolled full-time in the statewide virtual charter
21 school governed by the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board shall
22 not be authorized to participate in any activities administered by
23 the Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association. However, the
24 students may participate in intramural activities sponsored by the

1 Virtual Charter School, an online provider for the charter school or
2 any other outside organization.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2013.

4 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
5 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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