

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1530

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; creating the School
8 Report and Assessment Calculation Review Task Force;
9 providing termination date; stating purpose of the
10 Task Force; providing for membership; providing date
11 for appointments and organizational meeting; stating
12 duties; providing for meetings; allowing for travel
13 reimbursement contingent upon funding; providing for
14 staff and technical assistance; requiring completion
15 of the study by a certain date; providing for
16 submission of the recommendations of the Task Force;
17 providing for noncodification; and declaring an
18 emergency.

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

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

22 A. There is hereby created until December 31, 2015, the "School
23 Report and Assessment Calculation Review Task Force". The purpose
24 of the Task Force shall be to evaluate the calculation metrics used
by the State Department of Education for the annual reports of the
Oklahoma School Testing Program and evaluation system.

1 B. The Task Force shall consist of fifteen (15) members as
2 follows:

3 1. The Secretary of Education, or a designee, who shall serve
4 as the chair of the Task Force;

5 2. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House
6 of Representatives from the membership of the House;

7 3. Two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
8 Oklahoma State Senate from the membership of the Senate;

9 4. One member representing the State Department of Education
10 appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction;

11 5. One member who represents a statewide association of school
12 board members, selected by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
13 Representatives from a list of recommendations submitted by a
14 statewide association of school board members;

15 6. One member who represents a statewide organization that
16 represents public school superintendents, selected by the President
17 Pro Tempore of the State Senate from a list of recommendations
18 submitted by a statewide organization that represents public school
19 superintendents;

20 7. One member who represents a statewide organization that
21 represents parents of public school students, selected by the
22 Governor from a list of recommendations submitted by a statewide
23 organization that represents parents of public school students;

1 8. Two members who are associated with higher education
2 institutions who have knowledge of psychometrics and statistics,
3 appointed by the Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
4 Education;

5 9. Two members who are administrators employed by a public
6 school district, selected by the Governor from a list of
7 recommendations submitted by a statewide organization that
8 represents public school superintendents; and

9 10. Two members who are classroom teachers employed by a public
10 school district, one selected by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House
11 of Representatives and one selected by the President Pro Tempore of
12 the State Senate from a list of recommendations submitted by a
13 statewide association of school board members.

14 C. Appointment to the Task Force shall be made within thirty
15 (30) days after the effective date of this act. The Task Force
16 shall conduct an organizational meeting not later than sixty (60)
17 days after the effective date of this act.

18 D. The Task Force shall investigate and make recommendations
19 regarding:

20 1. The calculation metrics of all components of the A-F annual
21 report card issued pursuant to Section 1210.545 of Title 70 of the
22 Oklahoma Statutes; and
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1 2. Whether the evaluation system is clear, transparent,
2 statistically trustworthy, credible and aligned with the student
3 assessment system.

4 E. The Task Force shall be authorized to meet at such times as
5 may be required in order to fulfill the duties imposed upon the Task
6 Force by law. Members of the Task Force may be reimbursed by the
7 public or private entity which the member is employed by or
8 represents for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the
9 performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel
10 Reimbursement Act contingent upon the availability of public or
11 private funds.

12 F. Administrative staff assistance for the Task Force shall be
13 provided by the staff of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and
14 the Oklahoma State Senate. The State Department of Education, the
15 Office of Accountability, which beginning July 1, 2015, shall be
16 known as the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, and
17 the Secretary of Education shall provide technical assistance to the
18 Task Force.

19 G. The Task Force shall complete its study not later than
20 December 31, 2015. The Task Force shall submit its recommendations
21 to the State Board of Education, the Governor, the Speaker of the
22 House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the
23 Senate.
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1 SECTION 2. 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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