

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 HOUSE BILL 1604

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,  
8 Section 35e, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 172,  
9 O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 35e), which  
relates to school dropouts; requiring certain  
information to be made available to certain agencies;  
and declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 35e, as  
14 amended by Section 1, Chapter 172, O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014,  
15 Section 35e), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 35e. A. It shall be the duty of the superintendent,  
17 principal or head teacher of each public or private middle, junior  
18 high and high school accredited by the State Department of Education  
19 in the State of Oklahoma to notify the State Department of Education  
20 quarterly as scheduled by the Department of the name, address, race  
21 and age of any pupil dropping out from the school during the  
22 preceding quarter. The report shall be made on forms prescribed and  
23 furnished by the State Department of Education.

1 B. The State Board of Education shall cause these statistics of  
2 school dropouts to be tabulated by grade and school district.  
3 Information of school dropouts, including the name, address, race  
4 and age of any school dropout, shall be made available to the  
5 Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, the Bureau  
6 of Indian Affairs, the Military Department of the State of Oklahoma  
7 for use in the youth educational programs provided by the  
8 Department, and the State Department of Health.

9 C. The State Department of Education shall make an annual  
10 report to the Legislature prior to the convening of each regular  
11 session thereof of information received and tabulated pursuant to  
12 this section.

13 D. For the purposes of this section, school dropout means any  
14 student who is under the age of nineteen (19) and has not graduated  
15 from high school and is not attending any public or private school  
16 or is otherwise receiving an education pursuant to law for the full  
17 term the schools of the school district in which the student resides  
18 are in session.

19 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
20 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
21 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
22 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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