

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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**Bill No.:**

**HB 2814**

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**Author:**

**Representative Key**

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**Bill Summary**

Research Analyst: Dawn Marks

House Bill 2814 requires the State Board of Education to adopt social studies curriculum that shall include instruction in the following subjects:

- The Declaration of Independence
- The United States Constitution, including the Bill of Rights
- Substantive selections from the Federalist Papers
- The Emancipation Proclamation
- The Gettysburg Address; and
- George Washington's Farewell Address

The bill also requires the State Textbook Committee to consider these subjects when adopting textbooks for United States government, United States history and Oklahoma History. The State Textbook Committee also shall include "A Guide for Learning and Teaching the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution" by Joseph Andrews on the list of adopted textbooks.

**Fiscal Summary**

Fiscal Analyst: Nicole Barnes

HB 2814, as introduced, directs the State Board of Education to adopt a core curriculum for social studies which includes elements on the Declaration of Independence and other historical documents. The measure also requires textbook committees to incorporate these provisions into text-adopting processes.

**Fiscal Analysis**

Provisions of the measure do not impact the state, as the Board incurs no cost to include these elements, and that new materials can be adopted when the textbooks are normally purchased.

**Long Term Fiscal Considerations**

None

Fiscal Analysis Reviewed By:

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