

FLOOR AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend SB264 _____ Of the printed Bill
Page 2 Section 1 & 2 Lines 2 _____ Of the Engrossed Bill

By inserting a new Section 1 & 2 to read as follows:

SEE ATTACHED

and by renumbering subsequent sections

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Jason Nelson

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

1 "SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-128.1 of Title 70, unless
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Section 2 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the
5 "School District Regulatory Exemption Act".

6 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-128.2 of Title 70, unless
8 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 A. The purpose of the School District Regulatory Exemption Act
10 is to empower locally elected school board members to govern school
11 districts and make decisions based on the needs of their students
12 and circumstances.

13 B. 1. Subject to the provisions of this section, a school
14 district shall be allowed to submit a request to the State Board of
15 Education for an exemption from all statutory requirements and State
16 Board of Education rules from which charter schools are exempt as
17 provided for in the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act. Any request for
18 exemption shall include a plan for deregulation which outlines the
19 goals sought to be achieved by deregulation. A plan shall, at a
20 minimum, include the educational and fiscal benefits of deregulation
21 and the anticipated impacts or outcomes deregulation will have in
22 the requesting district.

23 2. Within sixty (60) days after receiving the request and plan
24 for deregulation, the State Board shall approve or disapprove the

1 request. If the State Board does not approve the request, it shall
2 provide to the school district a written explanation of the basis
3 for its decision. The school district may resubmit an amended
4 request at any time after denial. The request shall be approved by
5 the State Board before implementation by the school district. An
6 approved request and plan shall be for no longer than three (3)
7 years. Prior to the beginning of the third year, the school
8 district may apply for renewal of the approved request and plan.
9 The school district shall be required to submit an annual report and
10 the State Board shall annually assess the academic achievement and
11 fiscal status of the school district.

12 C. Nothing in this section shall prevent a school district
13 which has been granted approval by the State Board for the exemption
14 as set forth in subsection B of this section from choosing to follow
15 any or all state laws, rules, or regulations from which a charter
16 school is exempt. A school district which has been granted approval
17 for the exemption shall have the option to adopt policies to
18 implement any requirement for the school district that is consistent
19 with any statutory requirement or mandate or Board rule.

20 D. A school district which has been granted approval by the
21 State Board for the exemption as set forth in subsection B of this
22 section shall comply with all statutory requirements and State Board
23 rules which charter schools are required to comply with and the
24 following requirements:

1 1. Students who reside in the school district shall be entitled
2 to attend school in the district as set forth in Section 1-114 of
3 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4 2. The minimum salary schedule for teachers as set forth in
5 Section 18-114.12 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

6 3. Employees of school districts shall participate as members
7 of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma as set forth in
8 Section 17-101 et seq. of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

9 4. Provide a health insurance plan for school district
10 employees as set forth in Section 5-117.5 of Title 70 of the
11 Oklahoma Statutes and to establish or make available to school
12 district employees a cafeteria plan as set forth in Section 26-104
13 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

14 5. Require any person employed by the school district to file
15 with the district board a current Oklahoma criminal history record
16 check from the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation as well as a
17 national criminal history record check as defined in Section 150.9
18 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Each district shall adopt a
19 policy regarding criminal history record checks as set forth in
20 Section 5-142 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, as applicable;

21 6. Evaluate teachers and to train personnel designated to
22 conduct personnel evaluations as set forth in Sections 6-101.10 and
23 6-101.11 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, comply with the
24 dismissal and due process procedures for administrators as set forth

1 in Sections 6-101.13 through 6-101.15 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma
2 Statutes, and comply with the due process procedures for teachers as
3 set forth in Sections 6-101.21 through 6-101.26 of Title 70 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes;

5 7. Make payroll deductions for either or both professional
6 organization dues and political contributions upon the request of an
7 employee as set forth in Section 5-139 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma
8 Statutes;

9 8. Offer to students and require students enrolled in the
10 school district to complete the curriculum requirements as set forth
11 in Section 11-103.6 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

12 9. Require students enrolled in the school district to
13 demonstrate mastery of the state academic content standards as set
14 forth in Section 1210.523 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

15 10. Require members of the school district board of education
16 to satisfy the instruction and continuing education requirements as
17 set forth in Sections 5-110, 5-110.1 and 5-110.2 of Title 70 of the
18 Oklahoma Statutes; and

19 11. All school district reporting requirements contained in
20 state law, rules or regulations."

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