

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2139</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Research Analysis**

The committee substitute to House Bill 2139 allows the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish positions within the department and have control and direct the State Department of Education. The substitute strikes language that makes the State Board of Education the governing board of the State Department of Education and specifies that the board will have supervision of the public school system of Oklahoma.

The substitute also strikes language that allows the State Board of Education to establish duties of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; have control of divisions, supervisory agencies and personnel; and require an employee of the Board to present any matter specifically to the Board.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction will prepare the departmental budget for submission to the Governor.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction will advise technology center school district superintendents on questions as to the powers, duties and functions of school district officials and publish school laws in force including court decisions.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction will have the authority to:

1. give advice and make recommendations to the State Board of Education.
2. adopt policies and make rules for the organization, operation and administration of the Department.
3. Organize and have control of the administration of the Department and other agencies, divisions, personnel and their appointment and salaries and other necessary operations.
4. have authority to require the coordination of all divisions of the Department and have general supervision of all employees.
5. present all recommendations of the Department to the Board and require employees to present specific matters to the Board.
6. be responsible for interpretation of policy and rules set by the Board.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure, in its current form, does not impact the state.

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**Other Considerations**

None

