

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1907

By: Cleveland

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An Act relating to schools; creating the Common Core Task Force; providing termination date; stating purpose of the Task Force; providing for membership; providing date for appointments and organizational meeting; providing for selection of officers; stating duties; requiring the Task Force to comply with certain acts; providing for meetings; providing staff assistance; requiring completion of the study by a certain date; providing for noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

A. There is hereby created until October 31, 2014, the "Common Core Task Force". The purpose of the Task Force shall be to study the issues involved in adopting, implementing and aligning the state subject matter curriculum with the K-12 Common Core State Standards, developed by the Common Core State Standards Initiative, as provided for in Section 11-103.6a of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

1 B. The Task Force shall consist of thirteen (13) members as
2 follows:

3 1. Two members of the House Common Education Committee or House
4 Appropriations Subcommittee on Education with preference for those
5 who have a bachelor's degree in business or accounting or who have
6 five (5) or more years of experience in the area of business or
7 accounting, appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
8 Representatives;

9 2. Two members of the Senate Education Committee or Senate
10 Appropriation Committee on Education with preference for those who
11 have a bachelor's degree in business or accounting or who have five
12 (5) or more years of experience in the area of business or
13 accounting, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma
14 State Senate;

15 3. One member who represents a statewide association of
16 teachers, appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
17 Representatives;

18 4. One member who represents a statewide organization that
19 represents public school superintendents, appointed by the President
20 Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate;

21 5. One member who represents a statewide organization that
22 represents parents of public school students, appointed by the
23 Governor;

1 6. One member who shall be the principal author of the bill
2 from the Oklahoma House of Representatives;

3 7. One member who shall be the principal author of the bill
4 from the Oklahoma State Senate; and

5 8. Four members who are superintendents of a public school
6 district in the state appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall
7 represent a rural school district located in the eastern portion of
8 the state, one of whom shall represent a rural school district
9 located in the western portion of the state, two of whom shall
10 represent an urban school district located in a county having a
11 population of more than five hundred thousand (500,000) according to
12 the latest Federal Decennial Census.

13 C. Appointment to the Task Force shall be made by August 1,
14 2013. The House principal author shall be the chair and the Senate
15 principal author shall be the cochair. The Task Force shall conduct
16 an organizational meeting not later than August 31, 2013.

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

19 1. The costs associated with adopting, implementing and
20 aligning the state subject matter curriculum with the K-12 Common
21 Core State Standards, developed by the Common Core State Standards
22 Initiative, as provided for in Section 11-103.6a of Title 70 of the
23 Oklahoma Statutes, including any costs associated with revising the
24 state testing program; and

1 2. Any other costs or issues associated with adopting the
2 Common Core curriculum.

3 E. The Task Force shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting
4 Act or the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

5 F. The Task Force shall be authorized to meet at such times as
6 may be required in order to fulfill the duties imposed upon the Task
7 Force by law. Members of the Task Force shall not be reimbursed for
8 travel expenses.

9 G. Staff assistance for the Task Force shall be provided by the
10 Oklahoma House of Representatives.

11 H. The Task Force shall complete its study not later than
12 October 31, 2014.

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

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