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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2049

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An Act relating to schools; amending Section 1, Chapter 356, O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 3-168), which relates to the Student Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013; clarifying statutory language; making certain entities subject to restriction on transferring certain student data to certain entities; requiring school districts to obtain parental consent prior to students creating certain accounts or using certain websites; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 356, O.S.L. 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 3-168), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-168. A. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Student Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013".

B. As used in ~~this act~~ the Student Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013:

1. "Board" means the State Board of Education;

1        2. "Department" means the State Department of Education;

2        3. "Data system" means the Oklahoma State Department of  
3 Education student data system;

4        4. "Aggregate data" means data collected and/or reported at the  
5 group, cohort, or institutional level;

6        5. "De-identified data" means a student dataset in which parent  
7 and student identifying information, including the state-assigned  
8 student identifier, has been removed;

9        6. "Student testing number" means the unique student identifier  
10 assigned by the state to each student that shall not be or include  
11 the Social Security number of a student in whole or in part; and

12        7. "Student data" means data collected and/or reported at the  
13 individual student level included in a student's educational record.

14        a. "Student data" includes:

- 15            (1) state and national assessment results, including  
16            information on untested public school students,  
17            (2) course taking and completion, credits earned, and  
18            other transcript information,  
19            (3) course grades and grade point average,  
20            (4) date of birth, grade level and expected  
21            graduation date/graduation cohort,  
22            (5) degree, diploma, credential attainment, and other  
23            school exit information such as General  
24            Educational Development and drop-out data,

- (6) attendance and mobility,
- (7) data required to calculate the federal four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate, including sufficient exit and drop-out information,
- (8) discipline reports limited to objective information sufficient to produce the federal Title IV Annual Incident Report,
- (9) remediation,
- (10) special education data, and
- (11) demographic data and program participation information.

b. Unless included in a student's educational record, "student data" shall not include:

- (1) juvenile delinquency records,
- (2) criminal records,
- (3) medical and health records,
- (4) student Social Security number, and
- (5) student biometric information.

C. The State Board of Education shall:

1. Create, publish and make publicly available a data inventory and dictionary or index of data elements with definitions of individual student data fields currently in the student data system including:

- a. any individual student data required to be reported by state and federal education mandates,
- b. any individual student data which has been proposed for inclusion in the student data system with a statement regarding the purpose or reason for the proposed collection, and
- c. any individual student data that the State Department of Education collects or maintains with no current purpose or reason;

2. Develop, publish and make publicly available policies and procedures to comply with the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and other relevant privacy laws and policies, including but not limited to:

- a. access to student and de-identified data in the student data system shall be restricted to:
  - (1) the authorized staff of the State Department of Education and the Department's contractors who require such access to perform their assigned duties, including staff and contractors from the Information Services Division of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services assigned to the Department,

- (2) district administrators, teachers and school personnel who require such access to perform their assigned duties,
- (3) students and their parents, and
- (4) the authorized staff of other state agencies in Oklahoma as required by law and/or defined by interagency data-sharing agreements,

b. the State Department of Education shall use only aggregate data in public reports or in response to record requests in accordance with paragraph 3 of this subsection,

c. the State Department of Education shall develop criteria for the approval of research and data requests from state and local agencies, the State Legislature, researchers and the public:

- (1) unless otherwise approved by the State Board of Education, student data maintained by the State Department of Education shall remain confidential, and

- (2) unless otherwise approved by the State Board of Education to release student or de-identified data in specific instances, the Department may only use aggregate data in the release of data in response to research and data requests, and

1           d.    notification to students and parents regarding their  
2                   rights under federal and state law;

3           3.    Unless otherwise approved by the State Board of Education,  
4    the State Department of Education, a school district and any agent  
5    or vendor of the Department or a school district shall not transfer  
6    student or de-identified data deemed confidential under division (1)  
7    of subparagraph c of paragraph 2 of this subsection ~~C of this~~  
8    ~~section~~ to any federal, state or local agency or other  
9    organization/entity outside of the State of Oklahoma, with the  
10   following exceptions:

- 11           a.    a student transfers out of state or a school/district  
12                   seeks help with locating an out-of-state transfer,  
13           b.    a student leaves the state to attend an out-of-state  
14                   institution of higher education or training program,  
15           c.    a student registers for or takes a national or  
16                   multistate assessment,  
17           d.    a student voluntarily participates in a program for  
18                   which such a data transfer is a condition/requirement  
19                   of participation,  
20           e.    the Department or school district enters into a  
21                   contract that governs databases, assessments, special  
22                   education or instructional supports with an out-of-  
23                   state vendor, or  
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1           f.    a student is classified as "migrant" for federal  
2               reporting purposes;

3       4.   Develop a detailed data security plan that includes:

- 4           a.   guidelines for authorizing access to the student data  
5               system and to individual student data including  
6               guidelines for authentication of authorized access,  
7           b.   privacy compliance standards,  
8           c.   privacy and security audits,  
9           d.   breach planning, notification and procedures, and  
10          e.   data retention and disposition policies;

11       5.   Ensure routine and ongoing compliance by the State

12   Department of Education with FERPA, other relevant privacy laws and  
13   policies, and the privacy and security policies and procedures  
14   developed under the authority of this act, including the performance  
15   of compliance audits;

16       6.   Ensure that any contracts that govern databases, assessments  
17   or instructional supports that include student or de-identified data  
18   and are outsourced to private vendors include express provisions  
19   that safeguard privacy and security and include penalties for  
20   noncompliance; and

21       7.   Notify the Governor and the Legislature annually of the  
22   following:

- 23           a.   new student data proposed for inclusion in the state  
24               student data system:

1 (1) any new student data collection proposed by the  
2 State Board of Education becomes a provisional  
3 requirement to allow districts and their local  
4 data system vendors the opportunity to meet the  
5 new requirement, and

6 (2) the State Board of Education must submit any new  
7 "provisional" student data collection to the  
8 Governor and the Legislature for their approval  
9 within one (1) year in order to make the new  
10 student data a permanent requirement. Any  
11 provisional student data collection not approved  
12 by the Governor and the Legislature by the end of  
13 the next legislative session expires and is no  
14 longer required,

15 b. changes to existing data collections required for any  
16 reason, including changes to federal reporting  
17 requirements made by the U.S. Department of Education,

18 c. an explanation of any exceptions granted by the State  
19 Board of Education in the past year regarding the  
20 release or out-of-state transfer of student or de-  
21 identified data, and

22 d. the results of any and all privacy compliance and  
23 security audits completed in the past year.

24 Notifications regarding privacy compliance and



1 security audits shall not include any information that  
2 would itself pose a security threat to the state or  
3 local student information systems or to the secure  
4 transmission of data between state and local systems  
5 by exposing vulnerabilities.

6 D. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules for the State  
7 Department of Education to implement the provisions of the Student  
8 Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013.

9 E. Upon the effective date of ~~this act~~ the Student Data  
10 Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013, any  
11 existing collection of student data by the State Department of  
12 Education shall not be considered a new student data collection in  
13 accordance with subparagraph a of paragraph 7 of subsection C of  
14 this section.

15 F. Nothing in ~~this act~~ the Student Data Accessibility,  
16 Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013 shall interfere with the  
17 State Department of Education's compliance with the Educational  
18 Accountability Reform Act.

19 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-169 of Title 70, unless there  
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 School districts shall be required to obtain a signed written  
23 consent form from the parent or guardian of a student prior to  
24 requiring the student to:

1        1. Create an individual student-based web account, email  
2 account, text account, instant message account or chatroom account  
3 which requires the student to enter or reveal individually  
4 identifiable information; or

5        2. Sign onto or view a website or web-based application or site  
6 that requires a student-specific login and the student to enter or  
7 reveal individually identifiable information.

8        SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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