

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1170

By: Ford

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to testing; prohibiting the amount of time devoted to administering certain assessments from exceeding certain time allotment; allowing time allotment to be exceeded under certain circumstances; providing an exemption for certain assessments; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1210.508-4 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The amount of time devoted to administration of assessments required by Sections 1210.508 and 1210.523 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and federal law for each student in each grade shall not exceed two percent (2%) of the minimum classroom instruction time required by Section 1-109 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section may be exceeded as needed to:

1 1. Provide test accommodations that are required by an
2 individualized education program pursuant to the Individuals with
3 Disabilities Education Act; or

4 2. Provide test accommodations that are appropriate for English
5 language learners who are receiving instruction in an English
6 language learner program.

7 C. Time allotted to administer the following assessments shall
8 be exempt from the provisions of subsection A of this section:

9 1. Assessments that are above the grade level of the student;
10 and

11 2. The American College Testing Program (ACT), the Scholastic
12 Aptitude Test (SAT), the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude
13 Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) and the
14 International Baccalaureate (IB) tests.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.

16 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
17 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
18 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
19 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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