

SENATE CHAMBER
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

☐ FLOOR AMENDMENT

No. _____

☐ COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

(Date)

Mr./Madame President:

I move to amend House Bill No. 2008, by substituting the attached floor substitute for the title, enacting clause and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:

Senator Stanislawski

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☐ Untimely

☐ Amendment Cycle Extended

☐ Secondary Amendment

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR ENGROSSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 2008

By: McCall and Baker of the
House

5 and

6 Stanislawski of the Senate
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9 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to education; creating the Dyslexia
11 and Education Task Force; providing termination date;
12 stating purpose of task force; providing for
13 membership; providing deadline for appointments;
14 providing for filling of vacancies; providing
15 deadline for organizational meeting; directing
16 election of a chair and vice chair; providing for
17 meetings; prohibiting travel reimbursement for task
18 force members; providing duties of task force;
19 requiring the task force to comply with specified
20 acts; providing for staff assistance; requiring task
21 force to issue report to the Legislature and Governor
22 by a specified date; providing for noncodification;
23 and declaring an emergency.
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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, to continue until December 31,
2018, the "Dyslexia and Education Task Force". The purpose of the
task force shall be to create a dyslexia handbook that will provide

1 guidance for schools, students and parents in identification,
2 intervention and support of students with dyslexia through
3 accommodations and assistive technology.

4 B. The task force shall be comprised of twenty (20) members as
5 follows:

6 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or designee;

7 2. The Chancellor of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
8 Education or designee;

9 3. The Secretary of Education and Workforce Development or
10 designee;

11 4. The Executive Director of the Office of Educational Quality
12 and Accountability or designee;

13 5. A student with dyslexia, appointed by the Speaker of the
14 Oklahoma House of Representatives;

15 6. A parent of a student with dyslexia, appointed by the
16 President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate;

17 7. A classroom teacher, appointed by the Governor;

18 8. A special education teacher, appointed by the Speaker of the
19 Oklahoma House of Representatives;

20 9. A school principal, appointed by the President Pro Tempore
21 of the Oklahoma State Senate;

22 10. A school counselor, appointed by the Governor;

23 11. A school district director of special services, appointed
24 by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;

1 12. A school superintendent, appointed by the President Pro
2 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate;

3 13. A school psychologist or psychometrician employed by a
4 public school district that serves grades prekindergarten through
5 twelfth, appointed by the Governor;

6 14. A member who is part of an organization that advocates on
7 behalf of students with dyslexia, appointed by the Speaker of the
8 Oklahoma House of Representatives;

9 15. A member who is an Academic Language Therapy Association
10 certified Academic Language Therapist Qualified Instructor who is
11 also a dyslexia therapist certified by the International Dyslexia
12 Association, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma
13 State Senate;

14 16. A member who is part of a not-for-profit organization that
15 encourages cooperation between educators, taxpayers and elected
16 officials, appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
17 Representatives;

18 17. A member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives,
19 appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives;

20 18. A member of the Oklahoma State Senate, appointed by the
21 President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate;

22 19. A member who teaches reading instruction or special
23 education instruction at a college of education within an
24 institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education,

1 appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate;
2 and

3 20. A member who is a reading specialist or literary coach
4 employed by a public school district that serves grades
5 prekindergarten through twelfth, appointed by the Speaker of the
6 Oklahoma House of Representatives.

7 C. Appointments to the task force shall be made by September 1,
8 2017. Members of the task force shall serve at the pleasure of the
9 appointing authority. A vacancy on the task force shall be filled
10 by the appointing authority.

11 D. The task force shall conduct an organizational meeting no
12 later than October 1, 2017. The task force shall elect a chair and
13 vice chair at the organizational meeting. A majority of the members
14 present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

15 E. The task force shall be authorized to meet at such times as
16 may be required in order to fulfill the duties imposed upon the task
17 force by law. Members of the task force shall not be reimbursed for
18 travel expenses.

19 F. The task force shall:

20 1. Study how to effectively identify students who have reading
21 difficulties, including dyslexia;

22 2. Study the response-to-intervention process (RTI), as well as
23 other effective research-based approaches in reading and literacy,
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1 to identify the appropriate measures for assisting students with
2 dyslexia;

3 3. Make recommendations for appropriate resources and
4 interventions for students with reading difficulties, including
5 dyslexia; and

6 4. Make this information available in a handbook for schools,
7 teachers and families to use as a resource.

8 G. The task force shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting
9 Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

10 H. Staff assistance for the task force shall be provided by the
11 Oklahoma House of Representatives and the Oklahoma State Senate.

12 I. The task force shall issue a report of its findings to the
13 Legislature and Governor no later than December 1, 2018.

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

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