

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                               STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                               1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4   HOUSE BILL 1702

                              By: Calvey

7                               AS INTRODUCED

8           An Act relating to schools; urging Oklahoma State  
9           Regents for Higher Education to adopt certain  
10          policies; providing for certain appeal; providing for  
11          codification; and providing an effective date.

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

13           SECTION 1.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
14   in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4106 of Title 70, unless there  
15   is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16           A.   It is the intent of the Legislature that the Oklahoma State  
17   Regents for Higher Education adopt a policy for each institution  
18   within the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education that requires  
19   the acceptance of no fewer than forty (40) credit hours of college  
20   courses approved by the American Council on Education toward the  
21   award of a degree from such institution.

22           B.   It is the further intent of the Legislature that the  
23   Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education adopt a policy for each  
24   institution within the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education

1 that permits a provider which offers college courses approved by the  
2 American Council on Education to request that particular college  
3 credit be articulated as equivalent to particular credits offered by  
4 the institution. If the institution declines to articulate the  
5 provider's credits as equivalent to its own credit to the  
6 satisfaction of the provider, the provider may appeal the  
7 institution's decision to the Oklahoma Secretary of Education. The  
8 Secretary's decision shall be final and binding upon both the  
9 institution and the provider.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER TECH,  
13 dated 02/22/2017 - DO PASS.  
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