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4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 3311

By: Baker of the House

and

Bergstrom of the Senate

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
12 Section 11-103.6, as last amended by Section 1,
13 Chapter 118, O.S.L. 2017 (70 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section
14 11-103.6), which relates to school curriculum;
15 requiring inclusion of content from United States
16 naturalization test in standards; providing for
17 availability of test in specified formats; mandating
18 emphasis on civics in United States Government
19 standards; defining term; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
20 Section 1210.508, as last amended by Section 4,
21 Chapter 360, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section
22 1210.508), which relates to the statewide system of
23 student assessments; modifying emphasis of United
24 States History assessment; requiring certain
percentage of assessment questions on civics;
updating statutory citations; providing an effective
date; and declaring an emergency.

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

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 11-103.6, as
2 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 118, O.S.L. 2017 (70 O.S. Supp.
3 2017, Section 11-103.6), is amended to read as follows:

4 Section 11-103.6 A. 1. The State Board of Education shall
5 adopt subject matter standards for instruction of students in the
6 public schools of this state that are necessary to ensure there is
7 attainment of desired levels of competencies in a variety of areas
8 to include language, mathematics, science, social studies and
9 communication.

10 2. School districts shall develop and implement curriculum,
11 courses and instruction in order to ensure that students meet the
12 skills and competencies as set forth in this section and in the
13 subject matter standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

14 3. All students shall gain literacy at the elementary and
15 secondary levels. Students shall develop skills in reading,
16 writing, speaking, computing and critical thinking. For purposes of
17 this section, critical thinking means a manner of analytical
18 thinking which is logical and uses linear factual analysis to reach
19 a conclusion. They also shall learn about cultures and environments
20 - their own and those of others with whom they share the earth.
21 Students, therefore, shall study social studies, literature,
22 languages, the arts, mathematics and science. Such curricula shall
23 provide for the teaching of a hands-on career exploration program in
24 cooperation with technology center schools.

1 4. The subject matter standards shall be designed to teach the
2 competencies for which students shall be tested as provided in
3 Section 1210.508 of this title, and shall be designed to prepare all
4 students for active citizenship, employment and/or successful
5 completion of postsecondary education without the need for remedial
6 coursework at the postsecondary level.

7 5. The subject matter standards shall be designed with rigor as
8 defined in paragraph 3 of subsection F of this section.

9 6. The subject matter standards for English Language Arts shall
10 give Classic Literature and nonfiction literature equal
11 consideration to other literature. In addition, emphasis shall be
12 given to the study of complete works of literature.

13 7. At a minimum, the subject matter standards for mathematics
14 shall require mastery of the standard algorithms in mathematics,
15 which is the most logical, efficient way of solving a problem that
16 consistently works, and for students to attain fluency in Euclidian
17 geometry.

18 8. The subject matter standards for history, social studies and
19 United States Government shall include the content of the United
20 States naturalization test, with an emphasis on the specific content
21 of the test and the ideas and concepts it references. The United
22 States naturalization test shall be made available in physical and
23 electronic online formats as an optional assessment tool for
24 teachers.

1 9. The subject matter standards for United States Government
2 shall include an emphasis on civics. For the purposes of this
3 section, "civics" means the study of the rights and duties of
4 Oklahoma and United States citizens and of how those governments
5 work.

6 B. Subject to the provisions of subsection C of this section,
7 in order to graduate from a public high school accredited by the
8 State Board of Education with a standard diploma, students shall
9 complete the following college preparatory/work ready curriculum
10 units or sets of competencies at the secondary level:

11 1. Four units or sets of competencies of English to include
12 Grammar, Composition, Literature, or any English course approved for
13 college admission requirements;

14 2. Three units or sets of competencies of mathematics, limited
15 to Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Trigonometry, Math Analysis,
16 Calculus, Advanced Placement Statistics, or any mathematics course
17 with content and/or rigor above Algebra I and approved for college
18 admission requirements;

19 3. Three units or sets of competencies of laboratory science
20 approved for college admission requirements, including one unit or
21 set of competencies of life science, meeting the standards for
22 Biology I; one unit or set of competencies of physical science,
23 meeting the standards for Physical Science, Chemistry or Physics;
24 and one unit or set of competencies from the domains of physical

1 science, life science or earth and space science such that the
2 content and rigor is above Biology I or Physical Science;

3 4. Three units or sets of competencies of history and
4 citizenship skills, including one unit of American History, 1/2 unit
5 of Oklahoma History, 1/2 unit of United States Government and one
6 unit from the subjects of History, Government, Geography, Economics,
7 Civics, or non-Western culture and approved for college admission
8 requirements;

9 5. Two units or sets of competencies of the same foreign or
10 non-English language or two units of computer technology approved
11 for college admission requirements, whether taught at a high school
12 or a technology center school, including computer programming,
13 hardware, and business computer applications, such as word
14 processing, databases, spreadsheets, and graphics, excluding
15 keyboarding or typing courses;

16 6. One additional unit or set of competencies selected from
17 paragraphs 1 through 5 of this subsection or career and technology
18 education courses, concurrently enrolled courses, Advanced Placement
19 courses or International Baccalaureate courses approved for college
20 admission requirements; and

21 7. One unit or set of competencies of fine arts, such as music,
22 art, or drama, or one unit or set of competencies of speech.

23 C. In lieu of the requirements of subsection B of this section
24 which requires a college preparatory/work ready curriculum, a

1 student may enroll in the core curriculum as provided in subsection
2 D of this section upon written approval of the parent or legal
3 guardian of the student. School districts may require a parent or
4 legal guardian of the student to meet with a designee of the school
5 prior to enrollment in the core curriculum. The State Department of
6 Education shall develop and distribute to school districts a form
7 suitable for this purpose, which shall include information on the
8 benefits to students of completing the college preparatory/work
9 ready curriculum as provided for in subsection B of this section.

10 D. For those students subject to the requirements of subsection
11 C of this section, in order to graduate from a public high school
12 accredited by the State Board of Education with a standard diploma,
13 students shall complete the following core curriculum units or sets
14 of competencies at the secondary level:

15 1. Language Arts - 4 units or sets of competencies, to consist
16 of 1 unit or set of competencies of grammar and composition, and 3
17 units or sets of competencies which may include, but are not limited
18 to, the following courses:

- 19 a. American Literature,
- 20 b. English Literature,
- 21 c. World Literature,
- 22 d. Advanced English Courses, or
- 23 e. other English courses with content and/or rigor equal
24 to or above grammar and composition;

1 2. Mathematics - 3 units or sets of competencies, to consist of
2 1 unit or set of competencies of Algebra I or Algebra I taught in a
3 contextual methodology, and 2 units or sets of competencies which
4 may include, but are not limited to, the following courses:

- 5 a. Algebra II,
- 6 b. Geometry or Geometry taught in a contextual
7 methodology,
- 8 c. Trigonometry,
- 9 d. Math Analysis or Precalculus,
- 10 e. Calculus,
- 11 f. Statistics and/or Probability,
- 12 g. Computer Science,
- 13 h. (1) contextual mathematics courses which enhance
14 technology preparation, or
15 (2) a science, technology, engineering and math
16 (STEM) block course meeting the requirements for
17 course competencies listed in paragraph 2 of
18 subsection B of this section, whether taught at
19 a:
 - 20 (a) comprehensive high school, or
 - 21 (b) technology center school when taken in the
22 tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade, taught by
23 a certified teacher, and approved by the

State Board of Education and the independent
district board of education,

- i. mathematics courses taught at a technology center
school by a teacher certified in the secondary subject
area when taken in the tenth, eleventh or twelfth
grade upon approval of the State Board of Education
and the independent district board of education, or
- j. equal to or above Algebra I;

3. Science - 3 units or sets of competencies, to consist of 1
unit or set of competencies of Biology I or Biology I taught in a
contextual methodology, and 2 units or sets of competencies in the
areas of life, physical, or earth science or technology which may
include, but are not limited to, the following courses:

- a. Chemistry I,
- b. Physics,
- c. Biology II,
- d. Chemistry II,
- e. Physical Science,
- f. Earth Science,
- g. Botany,
- h. Zoology,
- i. Physiology,
- j. Astronomy,
- k. Applied Biology/Chemistry,

1. Applied Physics,
- m. Principles of Technology,
- n. qualified agricultural education courses,
- o. (1) contextual science courses which enhance technology preparation, or
- (2) a science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) block course meeting the requirements for course competencies listed in paragraph 3 of subsection B of this section, whether taught at a:
- (a) comprehensive high school, or
- (b) technology center school when taken in the tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade, taught by a certified teacher, and approved by the State Board of Education and the independent district board of education,
- p. science courses taught at a technology center school by a teacher certified in the secondary subject area when taken in the tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade upon approval of the State Board of Education and the independent district board of education, or
- q. other science courses with content and/or rigor equal to or above Biology I;

1 4. Social Studies - 3 units or sets of competencies, to consist
2 of 1 unit or set of competencies of United States History, 1/2 to 1
3 unit or set of competencies of United States Government, 1/2 unit or
4 set of competencies of Oklahoma History, and 1/2 to 1 unit or set of
5 competencies which may include, but are not limited to, the
6 following courses:

- 7 a. World History,
- 8 b. Geography,
- 9 c. Economics,
- 10 d. Anthropology, or
- 11 e. other social studies courses with content and/or rigor
12 equal to or above United States History, United States
13 Government, and Oklahoma History;

14 5. Arts - 1 unit or set of competencies which may include, but
15 is not limited to, courses in Visual Arts and General Music; and

16 6. Computer Education or World Language - 1 unit or set of
17 competencies of computer technology, whether taught at a high school
18 or a technology center school, including computer programming,
19 hardware and business computer applications, such as word
20 processing, databases, spreadsheets and graphics, excluding
21 keyboarding or typing courses, or 1 unit or set of competencies of
22 foreign or non-English language.

23 E. 1. In addition to the curriculum requirements of either
24 subsection B or D of this section, in order to graduate from a

1 public high school accredited by the State Board of Education
2 students shall complete the requirements for a personal financial
3 literacy passport as set forth in the Passport to Financial Literacy
4 Act and any additional course requirements or recommended elective
5 courses as may be established by the State Board of Education and
6 the district school board. School districts shall strongly
7 encourage students to complete two units or sets of competencies of
8 foreign languages and two units or sets of competencies of physical
9 and health education.

10 2. No student shall receive credit for high school graduation
11 more than once for completion of the same unit or set of
12 competencies to satisfy the curriculum requirements of this section.

13 3. A school district shall not be required to offer every
14 course listed in subsections B and D of this section, but shall
15 offer sufficient courses to allow a student to meet the graduation
16 requirements during the secondary grade years of the student.

17 F. For purposes of this section:

18 1. "Contextual methodology" means academic content and skills
19 taught by utilizing real-world problems and projects in a way that
20 helps students understand the application of that knowledge;

21 2. "Qualified agricultural education courses" means courses
22 that have been determined by the State Board of Education to offer
23 the sets of competencies for one or more science content areas and
24 which correspond to academic science courses. Qualified

1 agricultural education courses shall include, but are not limited
2 to, Horticulture, Plant and Soil Science, Natural Resources and
3 Environmental Science, and Animal Science. The courses shall be
4 taught by teachers certified in agricultural education and comply
5 with all rules of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology
6 Education;

7 3. "Rigor" means a level of difficulty that is thorough,
8 exhaustive and accurate and is appropriate for the grade level;

9 4. "Sets of competencies" means instruction in those skills and
10 competencies that are specified in the subject matter standards
11 adopted by the State Board of Education and other skills and
12 competencies adopted by the Board, without regard to specified
13 instructional time; and

14 5. "Unit" means a Carnegie Unit as defined by the North Central
15 Association's Commission on Schools.

16 G. 1. The State Board of Education shall adopt a plan to
17 ensure that rigor is maintained in the content, teaching
18 methodology, level of expectations for student achievement, and
19 application of learning in all the courses taught to meet the
20 graduation requirements as specified in this section.

21 2. The State Board of Education shall allow as much flexibility
22 at the district level as is possible without diminishing the rigor
23 or undermining the intent of providing these courses. To accomplish
24 this purpose, the State Department of Education shall work with

1 school districts in reviewing and approving courses taught by
2 districts that are not specifically listed in subsections B and D of
3 this section. Options may include, but shall not be limited to,
4 courses taken by concurrent enrollment, advanced placement, or
5 correspondence, or courses bearing different titles.

6 3. The State Board of Education shall approve an advanced
7 placement computer science course to meet the requirements of course
8 competencies listed in paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section
9 if the course is taken in a student's senior year and the student is
10 concurrently enrolled in or has successfully completed Algebra II.

11 4. Technology center school districts may offer programs
12 designed in cooperation with institutions of higher education which
13 have an emphasis on a focused field of career study upon approval of
14 the State Board of Education and the independent district board of
15 education. Students in the tenth grade may be allowed to attend
16 these programs for up to one-half (1/2) of a school day and credit
17 for the units or sets of competencies required in paragraphs 2, 3
18 and 6 of subsection B or D of this section shall be given if the
19 courses are taught by a teacher certified in the secondary subject
20 area; provided, credit for units or sets of competencies pursuant to
21 subsection B of this section shall be approved for college admission
22 requirements.

23 5. If a student enrolls in a concurrent course, the school
24 district shall not be responsible for any costs incurred for that

1 course, unless the school district does not offer enough course
2 selection during the student's secondary grade years to allow the
3 student to receive the courses needed to meet the graduation
4 requirements of this section. If the school district does not offer
5 the necessary course selection during the student's secondary grade
6 years, it shall be responsible for the cost of resident tuition at
7 an institution in The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education,
8 fees, and books for the concurrent enrollment course, and providing
9 for transportation to and from the institution to the school site.

10 It is the intent of the Legislature that for students enrolled
11 in a concurrent enrollment course which is paid for by the school
12 district pursuant to this paragraph, the institution charge only the
13 supplementary and special service fees that are directly related to
14 the concurrent enrollment course and enrollment procedures for that
15 student. It is further the intent of the Legislature that fees for
16 student activities and student service facilities, including the
17 student health care and cultural and recreational service fees, not
18 be charged to such students.

19 6. Credit for the units or sets of competencies required in
20 subsection B or D of this section shall be given when such units or
21 sets of competencies are taken prior to ninth grade if the teachers
22 are certified or authorized to teach the subjects for high school
23 credit and the required rigor is maintained.

1 7. The three units or sets of competencies in mathematics
2 required in subsection B or D of this section shall be completed in
3 the ninth through twelfth grades. If a student completes any
4 required courses or sets of competencies in mathematics prior to
5 ninth grade, the student may take any other mathematics courses or
6 sets of competencies to fulfill the requirement to complete three
7 units or sets of competencies in grades nine through twelve after
8 the student has satisfied the requirements of subsection B or D of
9 this section.

10 8. All units or sets of competencies required for graduation
11 may be taken in any sequence recommended by the school district.

12 H. As a condition of receiving accreditation from the State
13 Board of Education, all students in grades nine through twelve shall
14 enroll in a minimum of six periods, or the equivalent in block
15 scheduling or other scheduling structure that allows for instruction
16 in sets of competencies, of rigorous academic and/or rigorous
17 vocational courses each day, which may include arts, vocal and
18 instrumental music, speech classes, and physical education classes.

19 I. 1. Academic and vocational-technical courses designed to
20 offer sets of competencies integrated or embedded within the course
21 that provide for the teaching and learning of the appropriate skills
22 and knowledge in the subject matter standards, as adopted by the
23 State Board of Education, may upon approval of the Board, in
24 consultation with the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology

1 Education if the courses are offered at a technology center school
2 district, be counted for academic credit and toward meeting the
3 graduation requirements of this section.

4 2. Internet-based courses offered by a technology center school
5 that are taught by a certified teacher and provide for the teaching
6 and learning of the appropriate skills and knowledge in the subject
7 matter standards may, upon approval of the State Board of Education
8 and the independent district board of education, be counted for
9 academic credit and toward meeting the graduation requirements of
10 this section.

11 3. Internet-based courses or vocational-technical courses
12 utilizing integrated or embedded skills for which no subject matter
13 standards have been adopted by the State Board of Education may be
14 approved by the Board, in consultation with the Oklahoma Department
15 of Career and Technology Education if the courses are offered at a
16 technology center school district, if such courses incorporate
17 standards of nationally recognized professional organizations and
18 are taught by certified teachers.

19 4. Courses offered by a supplemental education organization
20 that is accredited by a national accrediting body and that are
21 taught by a certified teacher and provide for the teaching and
22 learning of the appropriate skills and knowledge in the subject
23 matter standards may, upon approval of the State Board of Education
24 and the school district board of education, be counted for academic

1 credit and toward meeting the graduation requirements of this
2 section.

3 J. The State Board of Education shall provide an option for
4 high school graduation based upon attainment of the desired levels
5 of competencies as required in tests pursuant to the provisions of
6 Section 1210.508 of this title. Such option shall be in lieu of the
7 amount of course credits earned.

8 K. The State Board of Education shall prescribe, adopt and
9 approve a promotion system based on the attainment by students of
10 specified levels of competencies in each area of the core
11 curriculum.

12 L. Children who have individualized education programs pursuant
13 to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and who
14 satisfy the graduation requirements through the individualized
15 education program for that student shall be awarded a standard
16 diploma.

17 M. Students who enter the ninth grade in or prior to the 2007-
18 08 school year who are enrolled in an alternative education program
19 and meet the requirements of their plans leading to high school
20 graduation developed pursuant to Section 1210.568 of this title
21 shall be awarded a standard diploma.

22 N. Any student who completes the curriculum requirements of the
23 International Baccalaureate Diploma Program shall be awarded a
24 standard diploma.

1 O. Any student who successfully completes an advanced
2 mathematics or science course offered pursuant to Section 1210.404
3 of this title shall be granted academic credit toward meeting the
4 graduation requirements pursuant to paragraph 2 or 3, as
5 appropriate, of subsection B or D of this section.

6 P. For purposes of this section, the courses approved for
7 college admission requirements shall be courses which are approved
8 by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for admission to
9 an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

10 Q. Students who have been denied a standard diploma by the
11 school district in which the student is or was enrolled for failing
12 to meet the requirements of this section may re-enroll in the school
13 district that denied the student a standard diploma following the
14 denial of a standard diploma. The student shall be provided
15 remediation or intervention and the opportunity to complete the
16 curriculum units or sets of competencies required by this section to
17 obtain a standard diploma. Students who re-enroll in the school
18 district to meet the graduation requirements of this section shall
19 be exempt from the hourly instructional requirements of Section 1-
20 111 of this title and the six-period enrollment requirements of this
21 section.

22 R. The State Department of Education shall collect and report
23 data by school site and district on the number of students who
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1 enroll in the core curriculum as provided in subsection D of this
2 section.

3 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 1210.508, as
4 last amended by Section 4, Chapter 360, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp.
5 2017, Section 1210.508), is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 1210.508 A. 1. By no later than December 31, 2016,
7 the State Board of Education shall adopt a statewide system of
8 student assessments in compliance with the Elementary and Secondary
9 Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as reauthorized and amended by P.L.
10 No. 114-95, also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

11 2. The statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board
12 pursuant to this subsection shall be aligned with the Oklahoma
13 Academic Standards as adopted by the Board and which prepare
14 students for college and careers.

15 B. 1. The Board shall issue a request for proposals for the
16 selection of assessments to be administered to students in grades
17 three through twelve as a part of the statewide student assessment
18 system adopted by the Board pursuant to this section.

19 2. The Board shall adopt assessments from the selected
20 proposals that were submitted pursuant to paragraph 1 of this
21 subsection. The adopted assessments shall be administered by the
22 Board for a period that is in coordination with the six-year subject
23 area textbook adoption cycle unless the vendor does not fulfill the
24 terms of the contract or fails to comply with or violates the terms

1 of the contract. The Board shall administer the assessments
2 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

3 C. The statewide student assessment system adopted by the Board
4 pursuant to this section shall include assessments that:

5 1. Are aligned with the Oklahoma subject matter standards as
6 adopted by the Board;

7 2. Provide a measure of comparability among other states;

8 3. Yield both norm-referenced scores and criterion-referenced
9 scores;

10 4. Have a track record of statistical reliability and accuracy;
11 and

12 5. For assessments administered in high school, provide a
13 measure of future academic performance.

14 D. For the 2016-2017 school year, the Board shall administer
15 assessments in:

16 1. English Language Arts or Reading and Mathematics in grades
17 three through eight and at least once in high school, during the
18 grade span of nine through twelve;

19 2. Science not less than once during each grade span of three
20 through five, six through nine and ten through twelve; and

21 3. United States History not less than once during the grade
22 span of nine through twelve.

23 E. 1. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the statewide
24 student assessment system shall include assessments in:

- a. English Language Arts and Mathematics in grades three through eight and at least once in high school, during the grade span of nine through twelve,
- b. Science not less than once during each grade span of three through five, six through nine and ten through twelve, and
- c. United States History and United States Government with an emphasis on civics, with no less than thirty percent (30%) and no more than thirty-five percent (35%) of the assessment questions from civics, not less than once during the grade span of nine through twelve.

2. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the statewide student assessment system may include:

- a. assessments in Reading and Writing in certain grades as determined by the Board, and
- b. contingent upon the availability of funds, an additional nationally recognized college- and career-readiness assessment or assessments as recommended by the State Department of Education which will be administered to students in high school at no cost to the student.

F. 1. Beginning with students entering the ninth grade in the 2017-2018 school year, each student shall take the assessment or

1 assessments included in the statewide student assessment system
2 adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection A of this section in
3 order to graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma.
4 All students shall take the assessment or assessments prior to
5 graduation, unless otherwise exempt by law.

6 2. Beginning with students entering the ninth grade in the
7 2017-2018 school year, each student, in addition to taking the
8 assessment or assessments included in the statewide student
9 assessment system adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection A of
10 this ~~subsection~~ section, shall meet any other high school graduation
11 requirements adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5 of ~~this act~~
12 Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma
13 Legislature in order to graduate from a public high school with a
14 standard diploma.

15 3. For students who start the ninth grade prior to or during
16 the 2016-2017 school year, school districts shall adopt a plan that
17 establishes the assessment or assessments those students are
18 required to take in order to graduate from a public high school with
19 a standard diploma. The plan may also include any or all of the
20 other high school graduation requirements adopted by the Board
21 pursuant to Section 5 of ~~this act~~ Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of
22 the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature that those students
23 will be required to meet in order to graduate from a public high
24 school with a standard diploma.

1 4. The Board shall promulgate rules to ensure that students who
2 transfer into an Oklahoma school district from out-of-state after
3 the junior year of high school shall not be denied the opportunity
4 to be awarded a standard diploma due to differing testing
5 requirements.

6 G. In order to provide an indication of the levels of
7 competency attained by the student in a permanent record for
8 potential future employers and institutions of higher education,
9 school districts shall report on the high school transcript of the
10 student the highest-achieved score on the assessment or assessments
11 included in the statewide student assessment system adopted by the
12 Board pursuant to subsection A of this ~~subsection~~ section and any
13 business- and industry-recognized endorsements attained.

14 H. Students who do not perform at a proficiency level on
15 assessments shall be remediated as established in the assessment
16 requirements adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5 of ~~this act~~
17 Enrolled House Bill No. 3218 of the 2nd Session of the 55th Oklahoma
18 Legislature, subject to the availability of funding.

19 I. 1. All assessments required by this section shall measure
20 academic competencies in correlation with the subject matter
21 standards adopted by the Board pursuant to Sections 11-103.6 and 11-
22 103.6a of this title and referred to as the Oklahoma Academic
23 Standards. The State Board of Education shall evaluate the subject
24 matter standards to ensure the competencies reflect high standards,

1 are specific, well-defined, measurable, challenging, and will
2 prepare elementary students for next-grade-level course work and
3 secondary students for postsecondary studies at institutions of
4 higher education or technology center schools without the need for
5 remediation. All subject matter standards shall reflect the goals
6 as set forth in Section 11-103.6 of this title and of improving the
7 state average ACT score.

8 2. The State Department of Education shall annually evaluate
9 the results of the assessments. The State Board of Education shall
10 ensure that preliminary results for all statewide assessments are
11 reported to districts no later than June 1 of each year and are
12 presented in a manner that yields detailed, diagnostic information
13 for the purpose of guiding instruction and student remediation. As
14 improvements are made to the assessments required by this section,
15 the Board shall seek to increase the depth of knowledge assessed for
16 each subject. The State Board of Education shall seek to ensure
17 that data yielded from the assessments required in this section are
18 utilized at the school district level to inform instruction,
19 professional development, school improvement and remediation for
20 students.

21 3. The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability
22 shall determine the cut scores for the performance levels on all
23 statewide assessments. The Commission shall conduct an ongoing
24 review to compare the statewide assessment content and performance

1 descriptors with those of other states. Upon receipt of the review,
2 the Commission may adjust the cut scores as necessary.

3 4. The State Board of Education, for the purposes of conducting
4 reliability and validity studies, monitoring contractor adherence to
5 professionally accepted testing standards, and providing
6 recommendations for testing program improvement, shall retain the
7 services of an established, independent agency or organization that
8 is nationally recognized for its technical expertise in educational
9 testing but is not engaged in the development of aptitude or
10 achievement tests for elementary or secondary level grades. These
11 national assessment experts shall annually conduct studies of the
12 reliability and validity of the statewide assessments administered
13 pursuant to this section. Validity studies shall include studies of
14 decision validity and concurrent validity.

15 J. 1. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules
16 setting the assessment window dates for each statewide assessment so
17 that the assessments are administered according to recommended
18 testing protocols, and so that the assessment results are reported
19 back to school districts in a timely manner. The vendor shall
20 provide a final electronic data file of all school site, school
21 district, and state results to the State Department of Education and
22 the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability prior to August
23 1 of each year. The Department shall forward the final data files
24 for each school district and each school site in that district to

1 the school district. The Board shall ensure the contract with the
2 vendor includes a provision that the vendor report assessment
3 results directly to the Office of Educational Quality and
4 Accountability at the same time it is reported to the Board.

5 2. State, district, and site level results of all assessments
6 required in this section shall be disaggregated by gender, race,
7 ethnicity, disability status, migrant status, English proficiency,
8 and status as economically disadvantaged, except that such
9 disaggregation shall not be required in a case in which the number
10 of students in a category is insufficient to yield statistically
11 reliable information or the results would reveal personally
12 identifiable information about an individual student. Each school
13 site shall notify the student's parents of the school's performance
14 levels in the Oklahoma School Testing Program as reported in the
15 Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program at the end of each school
16 year.

17 K. The State Board of Education shall be responsible for the
18 field-testing and validation of the statewide assessment system
19 required in subsection A of this section.

20 L. The State Board of Education shall develop, administer, and
21 incorporate as a part of the Oklahoma School Testing Program, other
22 assessment programs or procedures, including appropriate
23 accommodations for the assessment of students with disabilities as
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1 required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA),
2 20 U.S.C., Section 1400 et seq.

3 M. For purposes of developing and administering alternate
4 assessments for students with the most significant cognitive
5 disabilities, the State Board of Education shall not be subject to
6 subsections D and E of Section 11-103.6a of this title.

7 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2018.

8 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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13 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 02/27/2018
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