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February 19, 2018

**AS AMENDED**

SENATE BILL NO. 1234

By: Schulz

[ higher education - task force - regarding two-year  
colleges - submission of certain report -  
codification - ~~effective date~~ -  
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 4432 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created until July 1, 2019, a task force to study and make recommendations to the Legislature on efficiencies in operating and governing two-year colleges within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

B. The task force shall be comprised of five (5) members to be appointed as follows:

1. One member who represents the business community, appointed by the Governor;

2. One member who represents a two-year college, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

1        3. One member who represents a comprehensive university,  
2 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3        4. The Chancellor of Higher Education or designee; and

4        5. The Secretary of Education and Workforce Development or  
5 designee.

6        The chair of the task force shall be the Secretary of Education  
7 and Workforce Development or designee.

8        C. Appointments to the task force shall be made within thirty  
9 (30) days after the effective date of this act. The task force  
10 shall conduct an organizational meeting not later than August 31,  
11 2018.

12       D. A quorum of the task force shall be required to approve any  
13 final action of the task force. For purposes of this section, three  
14 members shall constitute a quorum.

15       E. The task force may meet as often as may be required in order  
16 to perform the duties imposed upon it.

17       F. The meetings of the task force shall be subject to the  
18 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

19       G. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation or  
20 travel reimbursement.

21       H. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall  
22 provide staff and administrative support for the task force.

23       I. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and  
24 recommendations by July 1, 2019, to the Governor, the President Pro

1 Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
2 Representatives.

3 ~~SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2018.~~

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

8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION  
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