

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1503

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An act relating to schools; requiring statewide
8 virtual charter school to report certain graduation
9 rate to Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and to
10 include certain plan; requiring Board to publish
11 reports on its website; permitting Board to deny
12 application for statewide virtual charter school if
13 plan to improve graduation rates is not complied with
14 for certain number of years; requiring Board to deny
15 application for statewide virtual charter school if
16 graduation rate is certain percentage lower than
17 statewide average for certain number of years;
18 providing for codification; and providing an
19 effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-145.8 of Title 70, unless
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. If the graduation rate of a statewide virtual charter school
21 is ten (10) percentage points or more below the average graduation
22 rate for public schools in this state, the statewide virtual charter
23 school shall be required to report to the Statewide Virtual Charter
24 School Board an analysis of its graduation rate, including a plan to

1 improve its rate to the state average. Such report shall be made by
2 July 1 of each year and shall be required to be filed each year
3 until the statewide virtual charter school's graduation rate is less
4 than ten (10) percentage points below the state average graduation
5 rate for public schools. The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board
6 shall be required to publish the reports on its website.

7 B. If the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board determines
8 that for three (3) consecutive years the statewide virtual charter
9 school is not significantly complying with its reported plan to
10 improve its graduation rate, the Statewide Virtual Charter School
11 Board may deny the statewide virtual charter school's application
12 for renewal of contract.

13 C. If the graduation rate of a statewide virtual charter school
14 is twenty (20) percentage points or more below the average
15 graduation rate for public schools in this state for three (3)
16 consecutive years, the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board shall
17 deny the statewide virtual charter school's application for renewal
18 of contract.

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