

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; requiring higher
8 education boards to submit certain report; requiring
9 report to contain certain information; requiring
report to be updated annually; providing for
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 3218.2A of Title 70, unless
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 By January 1, 2018, the Board of Regents governing the
17 University of Oklahoma, Cameron University and Rogers State
18 University; the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and
19 Mechanical Colleges governing Oklahoma State University, Panhandle
20 State University, Langston University, Connors State College, and
21 Northeastern Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College; and the
22 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education governing the remaining
23 colleges in the state, shall each submit a report to the Governor,
24 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the

1 House of Representatives. The report shall include the following
2 information:

3 1. A job description of the president of the university or
4 college, including his or her responsibilities and authority;

5 2. Major challenges and opportunities on the president's
6 agenda;

7 3. Performance procedures for the president, include criteria,
8 standards, sources of evidence, and processes used;

9 4. The president's assessment of the university or college
10 senior officers;

11 5. A succession plan to be implemented in the event a
12 presidential transition is necessary. Such plan would address the
13 following questions:

14 a. Will there be a search committee? If so, appointed by
15 whom?

16 b. What would be the composition of the search committee
17 by constituencies?

18 c. Will the search committee present to its board one
19 finalist or several? In order of preference?

20 d. Will the university or college engage a search firm?
21 If so, what process will be used?

22 e. What is the expected time for the presidential search?

23 f. What information and procedures related to the search
24 will be public?

- 1 g. What is the anticipated length of the first contract?
2 What are other important contractual provisions to be
3 considered?
- 4 h. Considering the university's or college's priorities,
5 strategy and challenges:
- 6 (1) What are the most important skills and
7 experiences the presidency requires?
- 8 (2) What documentation shall demonstrate that
9 candidates possess these skills?
- 10 (3) What are the most important personal attributes
11 and traits required?
- 12 i. What questions should be asked of all presidential
13 finalists?
- 14 j. What questions would be anticipated to be asked by
15 finalists?
- 16 k. What should the board do to ensure not only a
17 successful search but a successful presidency?
- 18 l. What will be the status, title and severance
19 arrangements for the incumbent president?

20 6. The report shall be updated and reported to the Governor,
21 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of the House of
22 Representatives on an annual basis by January 1.

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

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