

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)

3 HOUSE BILL 3471

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,  
8 Section 11-103.6b, which relates to diversity of  
9 social studies core curriculum; requiring inclusion  
10 of information about Juneteenth in social studies  
11 curriculum; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 11-103.6b,  
14 is amended to read as follows:

15 Section 11-103.6b A. The State Board of Education shall adopt  
16 a social studies core curriculum with courses of instruction for all  
17 students enrolled in the public schools that reflect the racial,  
18 ethnic, religious, and cultural diversity of the United States of  
19 America. The United States history and Oklahoma history components  
20 required in the social studies curriculum for all students shall  
21 include, but not be limited to, African Americans, Native Americans,  
22 and Hispanic Americans. The United States history component  
23 required in the social studies curriculum for all students shall  
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1 include information about Juneteenth commemorating emancipation of  
2 enslaved African Americans.

3 B. The State Textbook Committee, when adopting textbooks, shall  
4 incorporate the provisions of subsection A of this section into the  
5 criteria used to evaluate United States history and Oklahoma history  
6 textbooks. Any United States history or Oklahoma history textbook  
7 on the state adopted textbook list shall conform to the purposes of  
8 this act. The State Textbook Committee shall ensure that all social  
9 studies textbooks and supplementary materials selected to be  
10 purchased with state funds for use in Oklahoma classrooms reflect  
11 the racial, ethnic, religious, and cultural diversity of the United  
12 States.

13 C. It is the intent of the Legislature that a portion of the  
14 state funds appropriated for professional development in local  
15 school districts be used for workshops, seminars, guest lecturers,  
16 and other methods which further the purposes of this act.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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