

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 446

By: Haste of the Senate

3 and

4 Bush of the House

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6 An Act relating to schools; directing the State
7 Department of Education and the Department of Mental
8 Health and Substance Abuse Services, in certain
9 consultation, to develop and make available to school
10 districts certain information, training and resources
11 regarding the mental health needs of students;
12 requiring certain information to be included;
13 providing for codification; providing an effective
14 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-194.3 of Title 70, unless
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. The State Department of Education and the Department of
20 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, in consultation with
21 school district superintendents and school district boards of
22 education, shall develop and make available to school districts
23 information, training and resources to help school employees
24 recognize and address the mental health needs of students.

B. The information made available to school districts shall
include but not be limited to:

1. Information about the services provided by community-based organizations related to mental health, substance abuse and trauma;

2. Information about the impact trauma and adverse childhood experiences can have on a student's ability to learn; and

3. The availability of mental health evaluation and treatment available by telemedicine.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

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

Passed the Senate the 4th day of March, 2019.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2019.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives