

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 602

By: Stanislawski of the Senate

3 and

4 Baker of the House  
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6 An Act relating to higher education; creating a task  
7 force to study and make recommendations regarding  
8 two-year colleges; establishing expiration date;  
9 providing for membership; providing for naming of  
10 chair; requiring appointments by certain date;  
11 requiring organizational meeting by certain date;  
12 specifying quorum; providing for frequency of  
13 meetings; subjecting meetings to the Oklahoma Open  
14 Meeting Act; prohibiting compensation or travel  
15 reimbursement for members; providing for staff  
16 support; requiring submission of certain report by  
17 certain date; and providing for codification.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4432 of Title 70, unless there  
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. There is hereby created until July 1, 2020, a task force to  
24 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        1. One member who represents the business community, appointed  
2 by the Governor;

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

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

7        4. The Chancellor of Higher Education or a designee; and

8        5. The Secretary of Education or a designee.

9        The chair of the task force shall be the Secretary of Education  
10 or his or her designee.

11       C. Appointments to the task force shall be made within thirty  
12 (30) days after the effective date of this act. The task force  
13 shall conduct an organizational meeting not later than August 31,  
14 2019.

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

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

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

22       G. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation or  
23 travel reimbursement.

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

3 I. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and  
4 recommendations by July 1, 2020, to the Governor, the President Pro  
5 Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
6 Representatives.

7 Passed the Senate the 13th day of March, 2019.

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10 Presiding Officer of the Senate

11 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
12 2019.

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