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February 19, 2020

AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 1803

By: Haste of the Senate

and

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[State Department of Education - Oklahoma
Imagination Library Program - duties - advisory
committee - administrative and operating expenses -
annual report - Imagination Library Revolving Fund -
codification - ~~effective date~~ -
emergency]

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-104.10 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Imagination Library Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 2 of this act shall be used to promote and foster the development of the Oklahoma Imagination Library Program, which shall be a statewide program for encouraging pre-school children to read by providing age-appropriate books to children at their homes from birth to age 5 on a monthly basis.

B. The State Department of Education shall:

1. Manage the daily operations of the Oklahoma Imagination Library Program and provide oversight of the Imagination Library

1 Revolving Fund including but not limited to establishing county-
2 based programs in all seventy-seven counties and advancing and
3 strengthening the programs to ensure enrollment growth;

4 2. Develop, promote and coordinate a public awareness program
5 to make donors aware of the opportunity to donate to the Imagination
6 Library Revolving Fund; and

7 3. Develop, promote and coordinate a public awareness program
8 to make the public aware of the opportunity to register children to
9 receive age-appropriate books on a monthly basis. To receive books
10 on a monthly basis, a child shall be under the age of 5 and shall
11 have an Oklahoma residence.

12 C. The State Department of Education may establish a volunteer
13 advisory committee to assist with implementing the provisions of
14 paragraphs 2 and 3 of subsection B of this section.

15 D. The State Department of Education is authorized to retain up
16 to ten percent (10%) of the funds appropriated, gifted, granted,
17 donated or bequested to the Imagination Library Revolving Fund for
18 administrative and operating expenses related to implementation of
19 the Oklahoma Imagination Library Program.

20 E. The State Department of Education shall submit a report by
21 July 1, 2021, and each July 1 thereafter to the chair of the Senate
22 Education Committee and the chair of the House of Representatives
23 Common Education Committee detailing the status of implementing the
24 Oklahoma Imagination Library Program.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-104.11 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the State Department of Education to be designated the "Imagination Library Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the State Department of Education from appropriations, gifts, grants, donations and bequests. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the State Department of Education for the purpose of implementing the provisions of Section 1 of this act. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

~~SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2020.~~

~~SECTION 4. 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.~~

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
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