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Floor Substitute (FS)

The FS for SB 593 directs the State Department of Education to develop a rubric for computer science programs in elementary, middle and high schools by December 31, 2019. The measure outlines the contents of the rubric, but does not limit the contents of the rubric to the outline. Each course must be aligned with the Oklahoma Academic Standards for Computer Science and current research-based instructional practices.

Subject to available funding, the measure appropriates \$1 million to the Department to implement the provisions of the measure. The Department is also authorized to create a grant program to be awarded to applicant districts and high-quality computer science professional learning providers. Funding from the grants may be used to create courses related to computer science, credentialing of computer science teachers, supports for learning, and developing computer science resources. Up to 10% of the funds may be used to study the efficacy of these programs. Grantees may also purchase technology including software, hardware, or infrastructure. The FS outlines prioritized grant applicants.

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