STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to school funding; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3-142, as last amended by Section 6,

3-142), which relates to charter school funding;

Aid for a charter school sponsored by a school

considered separate from that of its sponsor;

Chapter 170, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section

removing language providing for calculation of State

district board of education; directing the student membership and attendance of a charter school be

removing language providing for a charter school to

charter school sponsors authorized to retain certain fee; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 10-103.1, which

receive its State Aid from its sponsoring school district; removing references to different types of

relates to calculation of the legal average daily attendance; directing the legal average daily

to not include the average daily attendance of

attendance for the purpose of certain distributions

charter school students; providing an effective date;

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

and declaring an emergency.

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3-142, as

last amended by Section 6, Chapter 170, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.

2019, Section 3-142), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-142. A. For purposes of funding, a charter school

sponsored by a board of education of a school district shall be

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considered a site within the school district in which the charter school is located. The student membership and attendance of the charter school shall be considered separate from the student membership and attendance of the district in which the charter school is located sponsor for the purpose of calculating enrollment and funding, including weighted average daily membership pursuant to Section 18-201.1 of this title and State Aid pursuant to Section 18-200.1 of this title. For charter schools sponsored by a board of education of a school district, the sum of the separate calculations for the charter school and the school district shall be used to determine the total State Aid allocation for the district in which the charter school is located. A charter school shall receive from the sponsoring school district, the State Aid allocation, federal funds to which it is eligible and qualifies for and any other stateappropriated revenue generated by its students for the applicable year, less up to five percent (5%) of the State Aid allocation, which may be retained by the school district as a fee for administrative services rendered. For charter schools sponsored by the board of education of a technology center school district, a higher education institution, the State Board of Education, or a federally recognized Indian tribe and for statewide virtual charter schools sponsored by the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board, the State Aid allocation for the charter school shall be distributed by the State Board of Education and not. Not more than five percent

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(5%) of the State Aid allocation may be charged by the sponsor as a fee for administrative services rendered. The State Board of Education shall determine the policy and procedure for making payments to a charter school. The fee for administrative services as authorized in this subsection shall only be assessed on the State Aid allocation amount and shall not be assessed on any other appropriated amounts.

- B. 1. The weighted average daily membership for the first year of operation of a charter school shall be determined initially by multiplying the actual enrollment of students as of August 1 by 1.333. The charter school shall receive revenue equal to that which would be generated by the estimated weighted average daily membership calculated pursuant to this paragraph. At midyear, the allocation for the charter school shall be adjusted using the first quarter weighted average daily membership for the charter school calculated pursuant to subsection A of this section.
- 2. For the purpose of calculating weighted average daily membership pursuant to Section 18-201.1 of this title and State Aid pursuant to Section 18-200.1 of this title, the weighted average daily membership for the first year of operation and each year thereafter of a full-time virtual charter school shall be determined by multiplying the actual enrollment of students as of August 1 by 1.333. The full-time virtual charter school shall receive revenue equal to that which would be generated by the estimated weighted

average daily membership calculated pursuant to this paragraph. At midyear, the allocation for the full-time virtual charter school shall be adjusted using the first quarter weighted average daily membership for the virtual charter school calculated pursuant to subsection A of this section.

- C. A Except for state-dedicated and local and county revenue, a charter school shall be eligible to receive any other aid, grants or revenues allowed to other schools. A charter school sponsored by the board of education of a technology center school district, a higher education institution, the State Board of Education, or a federally recognized Indian tribe shall be considered a local education agency for purposes of funding. A charter school sponsored by a board of education of a school district shall be considered a local education agency for purposes of federal funding.
- D. A charter school, in addition to the money received from the state, may receive money from any other source. Any unexpended funds may be reserved and used for future purposes. The governing body of a charter school shall not levy taxes or issue bonds. If otherwise allowed by law, the governing body of a charter school may enter into private contracts for the purposes of borrowing money from lenders. If the governing body of the charter school borrows money, the charter school shall be solely responsible for repaying the debt, and the state or the sponsor shall not in any way be responsible or obligated to repay the debt.

E. Any charter school which chooses to lease property shall be eliqible to receive current government lease rates.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 10-103.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 10-103.1. A. The school population, scholastic population, scholastic enumeration, and enumeration of a district shall be the legal average daily attendance. The legal average daily attendance shall be the average number of pupils present in a school district during a year or other specified period of time. The State Board of Education shall determine the legal average daily attendance for each school district by dividing the aggregate days of pupils present in each school district by the number of days taught in each school district.

- B. The legal average daily attendance for purposes of the distributions contained in subsection (b) of Section 9 of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, Section 1004 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1104 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes and Sections 615 and 10-104 of this title shall not include the average daily attendance for students enrolled in a charter school.
 - 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

1	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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