

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 432

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the State Board of Career and Technology Education; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103, which relates to the powers and duties of the Board; allowing the acquisition of property for the benefit of certain training facility; allowing the Board to establish a statewide aerospace training facility; directing the Board to establish a statewide aerospace training facility subject to availability of funds; providing purpose of facility; providing for promulgation of rules; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103, is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-103. The State Board of Career and Technology Education shall have the following powers and duties:

1. Have the supervision of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education of the State Board of Career and Technology Education, which department shall keep its principal offices at Stillwater, and appoint and fix the compensation and duties of the Director and other personnel of such Department;

1 2. Have the supervision of the technology center schools and
2 colleges of Oklahoma, except Oklahoma State University Institute of
3 Technology-Okmulgee and the Oklahoma State University Technical
4 Institutes at Oklahoma City and Stillwater, which, however, shall be
5 eligible to participate in federal programs administered by the
6 State Board of Career and Technology Education as hereinafter
7 provided;

8 3. Cooperate with, and enter into agreements with, and
9 administer programs of, and receive federal funds from, the United
10 States Department of Education and other federal agencies in matters
11 relating to vocational and technical education, youth apprenticeship
12 programs, and manpower training, and be the sole state agency for
13 such purposes. Provided that, programs and funds made available
14 through the Job Training Partnership Act, or its successor programs,
15 shall be excluded;

16 4. Provide for the formulation and adoption of curricula,
17 courses of study, and other instructional aids necessary for the
18 adequate instruction of students in the technology center schools
19 and colleges of this state. It is the intent of the Legislature
20 that instructional models for vocational students should include
21 higher standards of academic work with increased emphasis on
22 communication, computation and applied science;

23 5. Develop a plan to provide adequate vocational offerings
24 accessible to all students having the ability to benefit;

1 6. Purchase or otherwise acquire equipment, materials, supplies
2 and other property, real or personal, as may be necessary for the
3 operation of the technology center schools of this state or a
4 statewide training facility as provided for in paragraph 16 of this
5 section, and provide for the maximum utilization of such property
6 through a coordinated and cooperative use thereof, including
7 transfer of title to real and personal property to a technology
8 center school district for a reasonable cash consideration if said
9 property is to be utilized in a vocational-technical program
10 administered by the technology center district board of education.
11 Any conveyance of real property for a reasonable consideration shall
12 contain a reversionary clause by which the real property shall
13 revert to the State Board of Career and Technology Education if the
14 property ceases to be used in a vocational-technical program
15 administered by the technology center district board of education;

16 7. Enter into such agreements and contracts with the State
17 Board of Education, boards of trustees of community junior colleges,
18 boards of education of independent and elementary school districts,
19 boards of education of school districts for technology center
20 schools, private educational or training institutions, public or
21 private industry, and boards of directors of community action
22 programs, as may be necessary or feasible for the furtherance of
23 vocational and technical training within this state;

1 8. Cooperate and enter into agreements with the Oklahoma State
2 Regents for Higher Education;

3 9. Cooperate with the State Department of Education in
4 developing hands-on career exploration activities for students in
5 grades 6 through 10, integrating academic competencies into
6 vocational instruction, and ensuring counseling of all students in
7 order to minimize the number of students graduating from high school
8 without having completed either a vocational-technical program or
9 college preparation;

10 10. Develop and periodically update a plan to allow teacher
11 training and the purchase and installation of technological
12 equipment necessary to modernize vocational educational programs;

13 11. Accept and provide for the administration of any land,
14 money, buildings, gifts, funds, donations or other things of value
15 which may be offered or bequeathed to the schools or colleges under
16 the supervision or control of said Board;

17 12. Enter into cooperative arrangements with one or more other
18 states for the conduct and administration of programs, services and
19 activities;

20 13. Cooperate whenever possible, to avoid any duplication of
21 training programs with any established training program registered
22 by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, United States
23 Department of Labor;

1 14. Accept and expend funds from any source in order to market,
2 advertise or promote programs and services available through the
3 Career and Technology Education system; ~~and~~

4 15. Participate in activities pertaining to the recruitment of
5 companies to locate or expand operations in the state, and
6 participate in activities that will increase the competitiveness of
7 companies with headquarters or branch operations located in the
8 state. These activities may require agency staff to travel, train,
9 or provide technical assistance outside the State of Oklahoma; and

10 16. Establish a statewide aerospace training facility to
11 provide education and training in the aerospace sector.

12 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 14-135 of Title 70, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. Subject to the availability of funds, which may include but
16 not be limited to state appropriations, grant funds, foundation
17 funds and other funds, the State Board of Career and Technology
18 Education shall establish a statewide aerospace training facility,
19 the purpose of which is to provide education and training to
20 students to prepare them for careers in the aerospace sector or to
21 provide retraining in the aerospace sector.

22 B. The State Board of Career and Technology Education shall
23 promulgate rules which include but are not limited to:

1 1. Criteria for enrollment in the statewide aerospace training
2 facility;

3 2. Curriculum requirements, minimum courses of study and
4 testing requirements for the statewide aerospace training facility;

5 3. Minimum qualifications for instructors at the statewide
6 aerospace training facility; and

7 4. Tuition for courses offered by the statewide aerospace
8 training facility.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

10 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
11 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
12 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
13 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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