

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 4196

By: Echols and Nollan of the
House

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8 An Act relating to higher education; enacting the
9 Needed Oklahoma Workers Act; creating a revolving
10 fund; designating funds for certain degree programs;
11 directing the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
12 Education to administer the funds; providing for
13 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.1 of Title 70, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Needed Oklahoma
19 Workers Act".

20 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.2 of Title 70, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
24 for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to be designated
the "Needed Oklahoma Workers Fund". The fund shall be a continuing

1 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
2 monies received by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
3 from state appropriations for the purpose of this fund. All monies
4 accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may
5 be budgeted and expended by the State Regents for the purpose of
6 operating the Needed Oklahoma Workers Fund.

7 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.3 of Title 70, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 Universities within The Oklahoma State System of Higher
11 Education shall receive one-third (1/3) of the monies within the
12 Needed Oklahoma Workers Fund for nursing students. The money shall
13 be divided amongst the universities on a per enrolled nursing
14 student basis.

15 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.4 of Title 70, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Universities within The Oklahoma State System of Higher
19 Education shall receive one-third (1/3) of the monies within the
20 Needed Oklahoma Workers Fund for engineering students. The money
21 shall be divided amongst the universities on a per enrolled
22 engineering student basis.

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1 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.5 of Title 70, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Universities within The Oklahoma State System of Higher
5 Education shall receive one-third (1/3) of the monies within the
6 Needed Oklahoma Workers Fund for computer science degrees. The
7 money shall be divided amongst the universities on a per enrolled
8 computer science student basis.

9 SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3235.6 of Title 70, unless there
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall implement
13 policies and procedures for the administration of this act.

14 SECTION 7. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

15 Passed the House of Representatives the 14th day of March, 2022.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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Passed the Senate the ___ day of _____, 2022.

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