

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

4 HOUSE BILL 2691

 By: Hasenbeck

7 AS INTRODUCED

8 An Act relating to education; directing Commission
9 for Educational Quality and Accountability to issue
10 report; listing recipients of report; specifying
11 content of report; authorizing contract for
12 developing report; permitting utilization of funds;
13 providing for codification; providing an effective
14 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-116.5 of Title 70, unless
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. On or before October 31, 2021, the Commission for
20 Educational Quality and Accountability shall issue a report to the
21 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro
22 Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate and the Governor detailing
23 factors in the public education system of the state that contribute
24 to improvements in the:

1 1. Common education system, including, but not limited to, high
2 school graduation rates and college and career assessment scores;

3 2. Higher education and career and technology education
4 systems, including, but not limited to, timely graduation rates and
5 reduced remediation rates; and

6 3. State workforce, including, but not limited to, career
7 readiness and the ability for new graduates to find in-state
8 employment.

9 B. If the Commission finds there is insufficient information
10 available to fulfill any of the report objectives specified in
11 subsection A of this section, the report shall also contain
12 recommendations on ways to address information gaps between state
13 entities, such as the State Department of Education, the Oklahoma
14 Department of Career and Technology Education and the Oklahoma State
15 Regents for Higher Education.

16 C. The Commission may contract with a private consultant or
17 consultants to assist with the development of the report.

18 D. The Commission may utilize any funds received, including,
19 but not limited to, any state or federal funds, grants or private
20 donations to assist with the development of the report.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.

22 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
23 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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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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4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 02/23/2021
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