

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 2970

By: Dills

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; requiring schools to observe a moment of silence on September 11 and April 19; directing the State Board of Education to adopt a certain program for students; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-103.6o of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Board of Education shall ensure that every year each public school in the state observes a one-minute moment of silence on:

1. September 11, the anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks; and

2. April 19, the anniversary of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

B. If the anniversary for either event listed in subsection A of this section occurs on a day when school is not in session, the

1 moment of silence shall be observed when school is in session on the  
2 day nearest the anniversary date.

3 C. The State Board of Education shall adopt a program which  
4 shall be presented on the respective anniversaries and required for  
5 students enrolled in the public schools in grades 1 through 12 that  
6 incorporates age-appropriate information about the events on April  
7 19, 1995, and September 11, 2001, and the role these acts played in  
8 the history of the nation.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

10 SECTION 3. 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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