

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

HOUSE BILL 2388

By: Talley

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; defining term; allowing social-emotional learning instruction for students of certain grades; authorizing the State Department of Education or local school district to create and offer instructional materials; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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 11-103.7a of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this section, "social-emotional learning" is the process through which children and adults understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships and make responsible decisions.

B. Beginning in the 2022-2023 school year, each school district in the state may provide age-appropriate instruction about social-emotional learning, at the option of the local school district, a

1 minimum of once during the period during grades kindergarten, second
2 and fourth.

3 C. The State Department of Education may create or offer
4 accurate instructional materials for social-emotional learning
5 education on the Department's website. A school district may elect
6 to create or implement its own social-emotional learning education
7 instructional materials.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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