

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

3 HOUSE  
4 RESOLUTION 1038

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution discouraging schools from mandating  
9 professional development for teachers that cover  
10 critical race theory, Project 1619 or the issues  
provided in Enrolled House Bill No. 1775 of the 1st  
Regular Session of the 58th Oklahoma Legislature.

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12 WHEREAS, Enrolled House Bill No. 1775 was signed into law on May  
13 7, 2021, during the 1st Regular Session of the 58th Oklahoma  
14 Legislature; and

15 WHEREAS, the measure prohibits higher education students from  
16 being required to engage in gender or sexual diversity training or  
17 counseling or any orientation that presents race or sex stereotyping  
18 or bias; and

19 WHEREAS, boards of regents of colleges and universities in this  
20 state bear the responsibility for the execution of policy and should  
21 have the authority of due diligence to review, attend, audit and  
22 comment on any educational training class or financial policy, and  
23 each institution of higher education must make this information  
24 available upon request; and

1       WHEREAS, the measure prohibits public education from teaching  
2 the concepts that one race or sex is inherently superior or  
3 oppressive to another; and

4       WHEREAS, all teachers, administrators and other school employees  
5 are prohibited from teaching or providing training, as part of a  
6 course, that members of one race or sex should treat others with  
7 disrespect and that a student's moral character is necessarily  
8 determined by his or her race or sex; and

9       WHEREAS, using state academic standards, teachers should  
10 continue to teach without advocating that individuals should bear  
11 responsibility for actions in the past by other members of the same  
12 race or sex and that individuals should feel discomfort or guilt on  
13 account of their race or sex; and

14       WHEREAS, in a letter, the Attorney General stated "schools can  
15 and should teach history accurately, grounded in facts, including  
16 our shortcomings like the Trail of Tears and the Tulsa Race  
17 Massacre, and they can do so now"; and

18       WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Secretary of Education stated that  
19 the law "safeguards Oklahoma schools from state-sponsored  
20 racism and sexism"; and

21       WHEREAS, each school board of education of a local school  
22 district bears the responsibility for the execution of policy.  
23 School boards should have the authority of due diligence to review,  
24 audit and comment on any educational training or financial policy.

1 Each school district must make this information available upon  
2 request.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
4 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

5 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives discourages schools  
6 from mandating professional development for teachers that covers  
7 critical race theory, Project 1619 or the issues provided in  
8 Enrolled House Bill No. 1775 of the 1st Regular Session of the 58th  
9 Oklahoma Legislature.

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