

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB3120 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by  
inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Amendment submitted by: Danny Williams

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 3120

By: Williams

PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to sex education; amending 25 O.S. 2021, Section 2003, which relates to the Parents' Bill of Rights; providing for parental opt in for child to participate in sex education; providing for parental notification of school choice options; providing for parental opt in for certain instruction; permitting parental appeal of certain information request denial; directing State Board of Education to establish standard appeals process; requiring accreditation deficiency if school is not in compliance; defining terms; establishing school policy prohibiting certain pronouns; providing exceptions for certain disorders; banning requirement of using certain preferred personal title or pronouns; requiring student school records to comply with certain policy; prescribing punishment for changing certain student records; directing boards of education to adopt certain parental notification procedures; prohibiting adoption of certain procedures to discourage parental notification; banning instruction on sexual orientation or sexual identity; providing exception; requiring instruction to be age-appropriate or developmentally appropriate; prescribing student support services training to adhere to certain guidelines; mandating annual notification of health care services; providing for parental option to consent or withhold consent; requiring parental permission before administering certain student questionnaire or form; establishing process to address parental concerns; authorizing parent to file civil action; providing for award of damages and other costs and fees; directing school district to publish certain policies on its website;

1 amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 11-103.3, which  
2 relates to AIDS prevention education; prohibiting  
3 student from participating in AIDS education without  
4 parental permission; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section  
5 11-105.1, which relates to sex education; striking  
6 information to be included in curriculum; deleting  
7 definition for consent; barring student from  
8 participating in sex education without parental  
9 permission; directing certain curriculum and  
10 materials to be approved annually by the board of  
11 education; requiring certain concepts and ideas to be  
12 taught in sex education; prohibiting inclusion of  
13 certain concepts and ideas in sex education  
14 instruction; directing certain concepts in sex  
15 education to be emphasized; prescribing who can teach  
16 sex education programs; disallowing other  
17 organizations from providing sex education; directing  
18 certain coordination between the Department of  
19 Education and State Textbook Committee; requiring  
20 State Textbook Committee to provide instructional  
21 material guidelines; directing board of education to  
22 review and revise certain policies and procedures;  
23 mandating State Board of Education to consider  
24 certain compliance when reviewing school  
accreditation; providing for codification; providing  
an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. 2021, Section 2003, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 2003. A. The board of education of a school district,  
in consultation with parents and guardians, teachers and  
administrators, shall develop and adopt a policy to promote the  
involvement of parents and guardians of children enrolled in the  
schools within the school district, including:

1        1. A plan for parent or guardian participation in the schools  
2 which is designed to improve parent or guardian and teacher  
3 cooperation in ~~such~~ areas such as homework, attendance, and  
4 discipline;

5        2. Procedures by which parents or guardians may learn about the  
6 course of study for their children and review learning materials,  
7 including the source of any supplemental educational materials;

8        3. Procedures by which parents or guardians who object to any  
9 learning material or activity on the basis that it is harmful may  
10 withdraw their children from the activity or from the class or  
11 program in which the material is used. Objection to a learning  
12 material or activity on the basis that it is harmful includes  
13 objection to a material or activity because it questions beliefs or  
14 practices in sex, morality or religion;

15        4. If a school district offers any sex education curricula  
16 pursuant to Section 11-105.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes or  
17 pursuant to any rules adopted by the State Board of Education,  
18 procedures to opt ~~out of~~ in to a school ~~district from providing~~  
19 district's sex education instruction ~~to a child~~ if the child's  
20 parent or guardian provides written ~~objection to~~ permission for the  
21 ~~child's participation~~ child to participate in the sex education  
22 curricula;

23        5. Procedures by which parents or guardians will be notified in  
24 advance of and given the opportunity to withdraw their children from

1 any instruction or presentations regarding sexuality in courses  
2 other than formal sex education curricula pursuant to Section 11-  
3 105.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4 6. Procedures by which parents or guardians may learn about the  
5 nature and purpose of clubs and activities that are part of the  
6 school curriculum, as well as extracurricular clubs and activities  
7 that have been approved by the school; and

8 7. Procedures by which parents or guardians may learn about  
9 parental rights and responsibilities under the laws of this state,  
10 including the following:

- 11 a. the right to opt ~~out of~~ in to a sex education  
12 curriculum if one is provided by the school district,
- 13 b. open enrollment rights and school choice options,
- 14 c. the right to opt out of assignments pursuant to this  
15 section,
- 16 d. the right to be exempt from the immunization laws of  
17 the state pursuant to Section 1210.192 of Title 70 of  
18 the Oklahoma Statutes,
- 19 e. the promotion requirements prescribed in Section  
20 1210.508E of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- 21 f. the minimum course of study and competency  
22 requirements for graduation from high school  
23 prescribed in Section 11-103.6 of Title 70 of the  
24 Oklahoma Statutes,

- g. the right to opt ~~out of~~ in to instruction on the acquired immune deficiency syndrome pursuant to Section 11-103.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- h. the right to review test results,
- i. the right to participate in gifted programs pursuant to Sections 1210.301 through 1210.308 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- j. the right to inspect instructional materials used in connection with any research or experimentation program or project pursuant to Section 11-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- k. the right to receive a school report card,
- l. the attendance requirements prescribed in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- m. the right to public review of courses of study and textbooks,
- n. the right to be excused from school attendance for religious purposes,
- o. policies related to parental involvement pursuant to this section,
- p. the right to participate in parent-teacher associations and organizations that are sanctioned by the board of education of a school district, and

1           q.    the right to opt out of any data collection instrument  
2                   at the district level that would capture data for  
3                   inclusion in the state longitudinal student data  
4                   system except what is necessary and essential for  
5                   establishing a student's public school record.

6           B.   The board of education of a school district may adopt a  
7 policy to provide to parents and guardians the information required  
8 by this section in an electronic form.

9           C.   A parent or guardian shall submit a written request for  
10 information pursuant to this section during regular business hours  
11 to either the school principal at the school site or the  
12 superintendent of the school district at the office of the school  
13 district. Within ten (10) days of receiving the request for  
14 information, the school principal or the superintendent of the  
15 school district shall either deliver the requested information to  
16 the parent or guardian or submit to the parent or guardian a written  
17 explanation of the reasons for the denial of the requested  
18 information. If the request for information is denied or the parent  
19 or guardian does not receive the requested information within  
20 fifteen (15) days after submitting the request for information, the  
21 parent or guardian may submit a written request for the information  
22 to the board of education of a school district, which shall formally  
23 consider the request at the next scheduled public meeting of the  
24 board if the request can be properly noticed on the agenda. If the

1 request cannot be properly noticed on the agenda, the board of  
2 education of a school district shall formally consider the request  
3 at the next subsequent public meeting of the board. A parent or  
4 guardian may appeal a denial of request for information to the State  
5 Board of Education through a standard appeals process established by  
6 the Board. If a school is determined to be out of compliance with  
7 this section, the school shall be given a deficiency in its  
8 accreditation.

9 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-126 of Title 70, unless there  
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 As used in Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

- 13 1. "Father" means the male parent of a child or children;
- 14 2. "Female" means a natural person whose biological  
15 reproductive system is developed to produce ova;
- 16 3. "Male" means a natural person whose biological reproductive  
17 system is developed to fertilize the ova of a female;
- 18 4. "Man" or "boy" means a natural person who is male;
- 19 5. "Mother" means the female parent of a child or children;
- 20 6. "Natural person" means a person as defined in paragraph 7 of  
21 this section, except for bodies politic or corporate;
- 22 7. "Person", except when used by way of contrast, includes not  
23 only human beings, but bodies politic or corporate;



1        8. "Sex" means the classification of a person as either female  
2 or male based on the organization of the body of the person for a  
3 specific reproductive role, as indicated by the person's sex  
4 chromosomes, naturally occurring sex hormones, and internal and  
5 external genitalia present at birth. The term "gender" shall be  
6 synonymous with the term "sex" as defined in this paragraph; and

7        9. "Woman" or "girl" means a natural person who is female.

8        SECTION 3.        NEW LAW        A new section of law to be codified  
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-127 of Title 70, unless there  
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11        A. It shall be the policy of every public school or charter  
12 school that is provided or authorized by the Oklahoma Constitution  
13 and state laws that a person's sex is an immutable biological trait  
14 and that it is false to ascribe to a person a pronoun that does not  
15 correspond to the person's sex. This section shall not apply to  
16 individuals born with a genetically or biochemically verifiable  
17 disorder of sex development, including, but not limited to, 46, XX  
18 disorder of sex development; 46, XY disorder of sex development; sex  
19 chromosome disorder of sex development; XX or XY sex reversal; and  
20 ovotesticular disorder.

21        B. An employee, contractor, or student of a public school or  
22 charter school shall not be required, as a condition of employment,  
23 enrollment, or participation in any program, to refer to another  
24 person using that person's preferred personal title or pronouns if

1 the personal title or pronouns do not correspond to that person's  
2 sex.

3 C. An employee or contractor of a public school or charter  
4 school shall not provide to a student his or her preferred personal  
5 title or pronouns if the preferred personal title or pronouns do not  
6 correspond to that person's sex.

7 D. A student shall not be asked by an employee or contractor of  
8 a public school or charter school to provide his or her preferred  
9 personal title or pronouns or be penalized or subjected to adverse  
10 or discriminatory treatment for not providing his or her preferred  
11 personal title or pronouns.

12 E. Public school and charter school records regarding a  
13 student's sex shall always comply with subsection A of this section,  
14 and the definition of the word sex defined in paragraph 8 of Section  
15 2 of this act. Any person who changes a student's records described  
16 under this subsection not in compliance with subsection A of this  
17 section and Section 2 of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor  
18 pursuant to Section 587 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

19 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-128 of Title 70, unless there  
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 A. In accordance with the Parents' Bill of Rights enumerated in  
23 Sections 2002 and 2003 of Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes, school  
24 district boards of education shall adopt procedures for notifying a

1 student's parent or guardian if there is a change in the student's  
2 services or monitoring related to the student's mental, emotional,  
3 or physical health or well-being and the school's ability to provide  
4 a safe and supportive learning environment for the student. The  
5 procedures shall reinforce the fundamental right of parents or  
6 guardians to make decisions regarding the upbringing and control of  
7 their children by requiring school personnel to encourage a student  
8 to discuss issues related to his or her well-being with his or her  
9 parent or guardian or to facilitate discussion of the issue with the  
10 parent or guardian. The procedures shall not prohibit parents or  
11 guardians from accessing any of their student's education and health  
12 records created, maintained, or used by the school district, as  
13 required by Section 2002 of Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

14 B. A school district shall not adopt procedures or student  
15 support forms that prohibit school district personnel from notifying  
16 a parent or guardian about his or her student's mental, emotional,  
17 or physical health or well-being, or a change in related services or  
18 monitoring, or that encourage or have the effect of encouraging a  
19 student to withhold from a parent or guardian such information.  
20 School district personnel shall not discourage or prohibit parental  
21 or guardian notification of and involvement in critical decisions  
22 affecting a student's mental, emotional, or physical health or well-  
23 being.

1 C. Classroom instruction by school personnel or third parties  
2 in schools and charter schools on sexual orientation or sexual  
3 identity shall not occur in prekindergarten through grade twelve,  
4 except when required by Section 11-103.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma  
5 Statutes. The instruction shall be age-appropriate or  
6 developmentally appropriate for students in accordance with state  
7 standards and statutes.

8 D. Student support services training developed or provided by a  
9 school district to school district personnel shall adhere to student  
10 services guidelines, standards, and frameworks established by the  
11 State Department of Education.

12 E. At the beginning of the school year, each school district  
13 shall notify parents or guardians of each health care service  
14 offered at their student's school and the option to withhold consent  
15 or decline any specific service in accordance with Section 2002 of  
16 Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Consent to a health care service  
17 shall not waive the parent's or guardian's right to access his or  
18 her student's educational or health records or to be notified about  
19 a change in his or her student's services or monitoring as provided  
20 by this section.

21 F. Before administering a student well-being questionnaire or  
22 health screening form to a student in kindergarten through grade  
23 three, the school district shall provide the questionnaire or health  
24 screening form to the parent or guardian and obtain the permission

1 of the parent or guardian. Each school district shall adopt  
2 procedures for a parent or guardian to notify the principal, or his  
3 or her designee, regarding concerns under this section at his or her  
4 student's school and the process for resolving those concerns within  
5 seven (7) calendar days after notification by the parent or  
6 guardian.

7 1. At a minimum, the procedures shall require that within thirty  
8 (30) days after notification by the parent or guardian that the  
9 concern remains unresolved, the school district shall either resolve  
10 the concern or provide a statement of the reasons for not resolving  
11 the concern.

12 2. If a concern is not resolved by the school district, a parent  
13 or guardian may file a civil action in court against the school  
14 district to obtain a declaratory judgment that the school district  
15 procedure or practice violates this section and seek injunctive  
16 relief. A court may award damages and shall award reasonable  
17 attorney fees and court costs to a parent who receives declaratory or  
18 injunctive relief.

19 G. Each school district shall adopt and post on its website, in  
20 an obvious place on the front page, policies to notify parents or  
21 guardians of the procedures required by this section.

22 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 11-103.3, is  
23 amended to read as follows:  
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1       Section 11-103.3 A. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)  
2 prevention education shall be taught in the public schools of this  
3 state. AIDS prevention education shall be limited to the discussion  
4 of the disease AIDS and its spread and prevention. Students shall  
5 receive ~~such~~ the education:

6       1. ~~at~~ At the option of the local school district, a minimum of  
7 once during the period from grade five through grade six;

8       2. ~~a~~ A minimum of once during the period from grade seven  
9 through grade nine; and

10       3. ~~a~~ A minimum of once during the period from grade ten through  
11 grade twelve.

12       B. The State Department of Education shall develop curriculum  
13 and materials for AIDS prevention education in conjunction with the  
14 State Department of Health. A school district may also develop its  
15 own AIDS prevention education curriculum and materials. Any  
16 curriculum and materials developed for use in the public schools  
17 shall be approved for medical accuracy by the State Department of  
18 Health and in compliance with Section 11-105.1 of this title. A  
19 school district may use any curriculum and materials which have been  
20 developed and approved pursuant to this subsection.

21       C. School districts shall make the curriculum and materials  
22 that will be used to teach AIDS prevention education available for  
23 inspection by the parents and guardians of the students that will be  
24 involved with the curriculum and materials. Furthermore, the

1 curriculum ~~must~~ shall be limited in time frame to deal only with  
2 factual medical information for AIDS prevention. The school  
3 districts, at least one (1) month prior to teaching AIDS prevention  
4 education in any classroom, shall conduct for the parents and  
5 guardians of the students involved during weekend and evening hours  
6 at least one presentation concerning the curriculum and materials  
7 that will be used for ~~such~~ the education. No student shall be  
8 required to participate in AIDS prevention education ~~if a parent or~~  
9 ~~guardian of the student objects in writing to such participation and~~  
10 shall have written permission from a parent or guardian to  
11 participate.

12 D. AIDS prevention education shall specifically teach students  
13 that:

14 1. ~~engaging~~ Engaging in homosexual activity, promiscuous sexual  
15 activity, intravenous drug use or contact with contaminated blood  
16 products is now known to be primarily responsible for contact with  
17 the AIDS virus;

18 2. ~~avoiding~~ Avoiding the activities specified in paragraph 1 of  
19 this subsection is the only method of preventing the spread of the  
20 virus; and

21 3. ~~sexual~~ Sexual intercourse, with or without condoms, with any  
22 person testing positive for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)  
23 antibodies, or any other person infected with HIV, places that  
24 individual in a high risk category for developing AIDS.

1 E. The program of AIDS prevention education shall teach that  
2 abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain means for the  
3 prevention of the spread or contraction of the AIDS virus through  
4 sexual contact. It shall also teach that artificial means of birth  
5 control are not a certain means of preventing the spread of the AIDS  
6 virus and reliance on ~~such~~ those methods puts a person at risk for  
7 exposure to the disease.

8 F. The State Department of Health and the State Department of  
9 Education shall update AIDS education curriculum material as newly  
10 discovered medical facts make it necessary.

11 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 11-105.1, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 11-105.1 A. All curriculum and materials including  
14 supplementary materials which will be used to teach or will be used  
15 for or in connection with a sex education class or program which is  
16 designed for the exclusive purpose of discussing sexual behavior or  
17 attitudes, or any test, survey, or questionnaire whose primary  
18 purpose is to elicit responses on sexual behavior or attitudes shall  
19 be available through the superintendent or a designee of the school  
20 district for inspection by parents and guardians of the student who  
21 will be involved with the class, program or test, survey, or  
22 questionnaire. ~~Such curriculum, materials, classes, programs,~~  
23 ~~tests, surveys or questionnaires shall include information about~~  
24 ~~consent and shall have as one of its primary purposes the teaching~~



~~of or informing students about the practice of abstinence. For the purposes of this section, "consent" shall have the same meaning as that provided by Section 113 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.~~

The superintendent or a designee of the school district shall provide prior written notification to the parents or guardians of the students involved of their right to inspect the curriculum and material and of their obligation to notify the school in writing if they do not want their child to participate in the class, program, test, survey, or questionnaire. Each local board of education shall determine the means of providing written notification to the parents and ~~guardian~~ guardians which will ensure effective notice in an efficient and appropriate manner. No student shall ~~be required to~~ participate in a sex education class or program which discusses sexual behavior or attitudes ~~if~~ unless a parent or guardian of the student ~~objects~~ provides permission in writing to ~~such the~~ participation. If the type of program referred to in this section is a part of or is taught during a credit course, a student may be required to enroll in the course but shall not be required to receive instruction in or participate in the program ~~if~~ unless a parent or guardian ~~objects~~ provides permission in writing.

B. ~~The superintendent or a designee of a school district in which sex education is taught or a program is offered which is designed for the exclusive purpose of discussing sexual behavior or attitudes shall approve all~~ All curriculum and materials ~~which will~~

1 ~~be used for such education and any test, survey or questionnaire~~  
2 ~~whose primary purpose is to elicit responses on sexual behavior or~~  
3 ~~attitudes used in the school prior to their use in the classroom or~~  
4 ~~school. The teacher involved in the class, program, testing or~~  
5 ~~survey shall submit the curriculum, materials, tests or surveys to~~  
6 ~~the superintendent or a designee for approval prior to their use in~~  
7 ~~the classroom or school. This section shall not apply to those~~  
8 ~~students enrolled in classes, programs, testings or surveys offered~~  
9 ~~through an alternative education program~~ to teach sex education,  
10 reproductive health, or any disease, including acquired immune  
11 deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV),  
12 its symptoms, development, and treatment as part of the course  
13 referenced in this section and education referenced in Section 11-  
14 103.3 of this title, shall be annually approved by a school district  
15 board of education in a public meeting in compliance with the  
16 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

17 C. Throughout instruction in sex education, AIDS or HIV,  
18 sexually transmitted diseases, or health education, when the  
19 instruction and course material contain instruction in human  
20 sexuality, a school shall:

21 1. Classify males and females as provided in Section 2 of this  
22 act and teach that biological males impregnate biological females by  
23 fertilizing the female egg with male sperm; that the female then  
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gestates the offspring; and that these reproductive roles are binary, stable, and unchangeable;

2. Teach abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage as the expected standard for all school-age students while teaching the benefits of monogamous heterosexual marriage;

3. Emphasize that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases including AIDS, and other associated health problems;

4. Teach that each student has the power to control personal behavior and encourage students to base actions on reasoning, self-esteem, and respect for others;

5. Provide instruction and material that is appropriate for the grade and age of the student; and

6. Teach that sexual identity and sexual expression is within the binary concept of male and female, and emphasize the biological basis of sex.

D. Instruction concerning sex education, AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, or health education, when the instruction and course material contain instruction in human sexuality, shall not contain:

1. Advocacy of sexual activity outside of marriage;

2. Advocacy of any form of sexual activity that deviates from the understanding of sexual norms within a traditional family structure;

1        3. Information about contraceptive methods without emphasizing  
2 their potential risks and failure rates;

3        4. Endorsement or promotion of non-heterosexual orientations as  
4 preferable to heterosexual orientations;

5        5. Teaching of explicit sexual techniques;

6        6. Inclusion of materials that may be considered obscene or  
7 harmful to minors;

8        7. Teaching of gender identity and gender expression outside  
9 the binary concept of male and female;

10       8. Instruction that advocates the pursuit of sexual pleasure  
11 outside the context of marriage, the use of modern forms of risk  
12 minimization, the main purpose of sex is pleasure, or the  
13 exploration of which sexual techniques can be used for more  
14 pleasure;

15       9. Teaching of consent and negotiation skills for sexual  
16 activity;

17       10. Normalization or trivialization of sexually transmitted  
18 diseases (STDs) with the effect of decreasing their perceived  
19 seriousness or harm;

20       11. Instruction segmented specifically for the purpose of  
21 exploring gender identity or sexual orientation;

22       12. Abortion presented as a safe, reproductive health care  
23 choice and right;

1        13. Language or instruction that would undermine student-parent  
2 relationships, degrade students' opinion of their parents, or  
3 degrade the importance of parental advice or help; and

4        14. Encouragement for students to seek other help apart from  
5 parents or guardians.

6        E. Instruction concerning sex education, AIDS, sexually  
7 transmitted diseases, or health education, when the instruction and  
8 course material contain instruction in human sexuality, shall  
9 emphasize:

10       1. The importance of monogamous, heterosexual relationships  
11 within the context of marriage;

12       2. The benefits of abstaining from premarital sexual activity;

13       3. The physical, psychological, and emotional risks and  
14 consequences of engaging in premarital sexual activity;

15       4. The importance of personal responsibility and self-  
16 discipline;

17       5. The positive aspects of healthy relationships, including  
18 communication skills, mutual respect, and emotional intimacy;

19       6. The development of decision-making skills and setting  
20 personal boundaries;

21       7. The understanding of the potential social, emotional, and  
22 physical consequences of early sexual activity;

23       8. The biological reproductive function of sex and the healthy  
24 practice of abstinence from the relation until marriage;

1        9. Refusal and resistance skills for sexual avoidance;

2        10. That STDs can cause serious health concerns and can and  
3 should be avoided;

4        11. Information provided and risk avoidance promoted for all  
5 students, regardless of sexual orientation or sexual identity;

6        12. That abortion is only legal in the state in cases where the  
7 life of the mother is at risk with reference to the language of the  
8 law, and that it is a practice with physical and emotional risks  
9 with alternatives, including parenting and adoption; and

10       13. That parental involvement, communication, and authority  
11 shall be upheld or promoted and that family is important whether  
12 biological or adoptive.

13       F. Sex education programs shall be taught by persons who are  
14 employed by the school district where the sex education takes place  
15 and who hold a standard teaching certification issued by the State  
16 Department of Education.

17       G. Other organizations, including health departments, shall not  
18 provide sex education instruction in public schools.

19       SECTION 7.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 16-125 of Title 70, unless there  
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22       A. The State Department of Education shall coordinate with the  
23 State Textbook Committee to ensure the proper review and approval of  
24 sex education instructional materials in accordance with this act.

1       B. The State Textbook Committee shall provide guidelines for the  
2 submission of instructional materials to ensure transparency and  
3 public input.

4       C. Each school district board of education shall review and  
5 revise any current policies and procedures, its sex education  
6 curriculum, parental consent process, and instructor qualifications  
7 to ensure compliance with this act.

8       D. The State Board of Education shall take compliance with this  
9 act into account when considering the accreditation status of a  
10 public school.

11       E. The Statewide Charter School Board shall take compliance with  
12 this act into account when implementing Section 3-132.2 of Title 70  
13 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

14       SECTION 8. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

15       SECTION 9. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
16 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
17 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
18 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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