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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE BILL 1904

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An Act relating to student assessments; allowing certain charter school or school district to administer certain assessments for certain grades in a virtual setting; prohibiting administration of assessments for certain grades in a virtual setting; directing certain requirements to be met; requiring certain program or plan to be considered in determining whether a virtual setting meets a student's educational needs; providing for promulgation of rules; 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 3-145.11 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. A statewide virtual charter school or a school district operating a full-time virtual education program may administer to enrolled students in grades three through eight the statewide system of student assessments required by Section 1210.508 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes in a virtual setting that best meets the

1 educational needs of the students and aligns with their regular
2 academic instruction. Assessments for grades nine through twelve
3 shall not be administered in a virtual setting.

4 B. A statewide virtual charter school or a school district
5 operating a full-time virtual education program that administers
6 student assessments as provided for in subsection A of this section
7 shall ensure the following requirements are met:

8 1. The student to whom the statewide student assessment is
9 administered takes the assessment on an assigned date and time;

10 2. The student to whom the statewide student assessment is
11 administered attends a synchronous assessment session initiated and
12 managed by designated personnel of the statewide virtual charter
13 school or the school district that operates a full-time virtual
14 education program;

15 3. a. If the statewide student assessment platform does not
16 allow integrated camera proctoring, the student to
17 whom the statewide student assessment is administered
18 shall use two devices for the duration of the
19 administration. One device shall be used by the
20 student to take the statewide student assessment, and
21 one device shall be used by an assessment proctor to
22 monitor the student for the duration of the
23 administration of the statewide student assessment
24 using the camera on the required device, or

1 b. If the statewide student assessment platform does
2 allow for an assessment proctor to view the student
3 and the student's background environment, a secondary
4 device shall not be required;

5 4. The device on which a student is administered a statewide
6 student assessment has audio capabilities accessible by the
7 assessment administrator for purposes of monitoring the student;

8 5. The statewide virtual charter school or school district that
9 operates a full-time virtual education program that administers a
10 statewide student assessment to a student in a virtual setting seeks
11 to maintain a student assessment taker to assessment proctor ratio
12 of ten-to-one or lower;

13 6. The student to whom the statewide student assessment is
14 administered does not exit the assessment administration until
15 instructed to do so by the assigned assessment proctor; and

16 7. The submission of a statewide student assessment
17 administered pursuant to the provisions of this section is verified
18 by the assessment administrator.

19 C. A statewide virtual charter school or a school district
20 operating a full-time virtual education program that administers
21 student assessments pursuant to this section shall take into account
22 a student's individualized education program (IEP) developed
23 pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
24 or Section 504 Plan developed pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of

1 1973 in determining whether a virtual setting best meets the
2 educational needs of such a student.

3 D. The State Board of Education may promulgate rules to
4 implement the provisions of this section.

5 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

6 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
7 of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby
8 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
9 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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