

**SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

February 6, 2024

SENATE BILL NO. 1882

By: Bullard and Jett

An Act relating to schools; directing a school district board of education to notify the State Department of Education upon service of notice of certain action or receipt of certain communication; directing the Department to take certain action; allowing the Department to take certain action; 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 6-149.10 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Upon service of notice of an action filed for a violation of a student's or school employee's religious liberties or upon receipt of a written or electronic communication expressing an intent to file such action, a school district board of education shall notify the State Department of Education.

B. Upon receipt of a notification required by subsection A of this section, the State Department of Education:

1. Shall investigate the allegations contained in the action or written or electronic communication; and

1        2. May provide the Department's legal services to the school  
2 district board of education.

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

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

8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION  
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