

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2718</b>
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<b>Request Number:</b>	
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Hefner and Rep. McBride</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal</b>

**Research Analysis**

The subcommittee recommendation for HB 2718 creates the Oklahoma's Promise Opportunity Scholarship Act which seeks to provide scholarships to students attending qualified postsecondary programs designed to support students with intellectual disabilities. The scholarship amount would cover the student's tuition to the educational institution. The measure details financial and academic eligibility. The State Regents are authorized to administer the scholarship program.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The Oklahoma's Promise scholarship program is funded through "off the top" money which is approved by the State Board of Equalization and is not appropriated by the Legislature. As such, it would not have a direct impact on the appropriations process. However, it may reduce the amount that is available for the Legislature to appropriate. It is not known how many may be eligible, apply, and fulfill the requirements of the program, but it is not anticipated to result in a significant negative fiscal impact.

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**Other Considerations**

None.