

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB3590 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Amendment submitted by: Mark Lepak

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

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Reading Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 3590

By: Lepak

PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to revenue and taxation; amending 68 O.S. 2021, Section 2357.206, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 49, O.S.L. 2022 (68 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 2357.206), which relates to the Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Education Scholarship Act; increasing credit amount allowed for single individuals, married individuals filing jointly, and legal business entities; increasing credit amount for taxpayers who contribute the same amount for an additional year; modifying definition of eligible student; removing federal law reference and replacing with Oklahoma authority; modifying definition of low-income eligible student; authorizing scholarship payments to be made via secure electronic funds transfer; modifying definition of annual revenue; requiring certain annual reporting requirements to be disaggregated into certain adjusted gross income categories; and providing an effective date.

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

1       SECTION 1.       AMENDATORY       68 O.S. 2021, Section 2357.206, as  
2 amended by Section 1, Chapter 49, O.S.L. 2022 (68 O.S. Supp. 2025,  
3 Section 2357.206), is amended to read as follows:

4       Section 2357.206. A. This act shall be known and may be cited  
5 as the "Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Education Scholarship Act".

6       B. 1. Except as provided in subsection G of this section, on  
7 or after August 26, 2011 January 1, 2027, there shall be allowed a  
8 credit for any taxpayer who makes a contribution to an eligible  
9 scholarship-granting organization.

10       The credit shall be equal to fifty percent (50%) of the total  
11 amount of contributions made during a taxable year, not to exceed  
12 ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00)  
13 for single individuals, ~~Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~ Ten  
14 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for married individuals filing  
15 jointly, or ~~One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00)~~ Two Hundred  
16 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for any taxpayer which is a  
17 legal business entity including limited and general partnerships,  
18 corporations, subchapter S corporations and limited liability  
19 companies, plus any suspended credits pursuant to subparagraph d of  
20 paragraph 2 of subsection I of this section; provided, if total  
21 credits claimed pursuant to this paragraph exceed the cap amount  
22 established pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection E of this  
23 section, the credit shall be equal to the taxpayer's proportionate  
24

1 share of the cap for the taxable year, as determined pursuant to  
2 subsection I of this section.

3 2. For any taxpayer who makes a contribution to an eligible  
4 scholarship-granting organization and makes a written commitment to  
5 contribute the same amount for an additional year, the credit for  
6 the first year and the additional year shall be equal to ~~seventy-~~  
7 ~~five percent (75%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of  
8 the contribution made during a taxable year, not to exceed the  
9 amounts established in paragraph 1 of this subsection for the  
10 taxable year in which the credit provided in this subsection is  
11 claimed. The taxpayer shall provide evidence of the written  
12 commitment to the Oklahoma Tax Commission at the time of filing the  
13 refund claim.

14 3. The credits authorized pursuant to the provisions of this  
15 subsection shall be allocable to the partners, shareholders,  
16 members, or other equity owners of a taxpayer that is authorized to  
17 be treated as a partnership for purposes of federal income tax  
18 reporting for the taxable year for which the tax credits authorized  
19 by this subsection are claimed on the applicable return, together  
20 with required schedules, forms or reports of the partners,  
21 shareholders, members, or other equity owners of the taxpayer. Tax  
22 credits which are allocated to such equity owners shall only be  
23 limited in amount for the income tax return of a natural person or  
24 persons based upon the limitation of the total credit amount to the

entity from which the tax credits have been allocated and shall not be limited to ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for single individuals or limited to ~~Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~ Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for married persons filing a joint return.

4. On or before April 30, 2024, and once every two (2) years thereafter, such scholarship-granting organization and educational improvement grant organization shall electronically submit to the Oklahoma Tax Commission, the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairs and vice chairs of the education committees of the Senate and House of Representatives an audited financial statement for the organization along with information detailing the benefits, successes, or failures of the program, and make publicly available on its website the financial statement and information submitted pursuant to this paragraph.

C. 1. Except as provided in subsection G of this section, on or after August 26, 2011 ~~January 1, 2027~~, there shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer who makes a contribution to an eligible educational improvement grant organization. Except as otherwise provided by paragraph 2 of this subsection, the credit shall be equal to fifty percent (50%) of the total amount of contributions made during a taxable year, not to exceed ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for single

1 individuals, ~~Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~ Ten Thousand Dollars  
2 (\$10,000.00) for married individuals filing jointly, or ~~One Hundred~~  
3 ~~Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00)~~ Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars  
4 (\$250,000.00) for any taxpayer which is a legal business entity  
5 including limited and general partnerships, corporations, subchapter  
6 S corporations and limited liability companies, plus any suspended  
7 credits pursuant to subparagraph d of paragraph 2 of subsection I of  
8 this section; provided, if total credits claimed pursuant to this  
9 paragraph exceed the cap amount established pursuant to paragraphs 3  
10 and 4 of subsection E of this section, the credit shall be equal to  
11 the taxpayer's proportionate share of the cap for the taxable year,  
12 as determined pursuant to subsection I of this section.

13 2. For any taxpayer who makes a contribution to an eligible  
14 educational improvement grant organization and makes a written  
15 commitment to contribute the same amount for an additional year, the  
16 credit for the first year and the additional year shall be equal to  
17 ~~seventy-five percent (75%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) of the total  
18 amount of the contribution made during a taxable year, not to exceed  
19 the cap amount established in paragraphs 3 and 4 of subsection E of  
20 this section for the taxable year in which the credit provided in  
21 this paragraph is claimed; provided, if total credits claimed  
22 pursuant to this paragraph exceed the cap established pursuant to  
23 paragraphs 3 and 4 of subsection E of this section, the credit shall  
24 be equal to the taxpayer's proportionate share of the cap for the

1 taxable year, as determined pursuant to subsection I of this  
2 section. The taxpayer shall provide evidence of the written  
3 commitment to the Oklahoma Tax Commission at the time of filing the  
4 refund claim.

5 3. The credits authorized pursuant to the provisions of this  
6 subsection shall be allocable to the partners, shareholders,  
7 members, or other equity owners of a taxpayer that is authorized to  
8 be treated as a partnership for purposes of federal income tax  
9 reporting for the taxable year for which the tax credits authorized  
10 by this subsection are claimed on the applicable return, together  
11 with required schedules, forms, or reports of the partners,  
12 shareholders, members, or other equity owners of the taxpayer. Tax  
13 credits which are allocated to such equity owners shall only be  
14 limited in amount for the income tax return of a natural person or  
15 persons based upon the limitation of the total credit amount to the  
16 entity from which the tax credits have been allocated and shall not  
17 be limited to ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars  
18 (\$5,000.00) for single individuals or limited to ~~Two Thousand~~  
19 ~~Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~ Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for married  
20 persons filing a joint return.

21 D. 1. For contributions made on or after January 1, ~~2022~~ 2027,  
22 there shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer who makes a  
23 contribution to an eligible public school foundation or public  
24 school district. Except as otherwise provided by paragraph 2 of

1 this subsection, the credit shall be equal to fifty percent (50%) of  
2 the total amount of contributions made during a taxable year, not to  
3 exceed ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars  
4 (\$5,000.00) for single individuals, ~~Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~  
5 Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for married individuals filing  
6 jointly, or ~~One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00)~~ Two Hundred  
7 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for any taxpayer which is a  
8 legal business entity including limited and general partnerships,  
9 corporations, subchapter S corporations and limited liability  
10 companies; provided, if total credits claimed pursuant to this  
11 paragraph exceed the cap amount established pursuant to paragraph 4  
12 of subsection E of this section, the credit shall be equal to the  
13 taxpayer's proportionate share of the cap for the taxable year, as  
14 determined pursuant to subsection I of this section.

15 2. Except as otherwise provided by paragraph 1 of this  
16 subsection, for any taxpayer who makes a contribution to an eligible  
17 public school foundation or public school district and makes a  
18 written commitment to contribute the same amount for an additional  
19 year, the credit for the first year and the additional year shall be  
20 equal to ~~seventy-five percent (75%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) of  
21 the total amount of the contribution made during a taxable year, not  
22 to exceed the cap amount established in paragraph 4 of subsection E  
23 of this section for the taxable year in which the credit provided in  
24 this paragraph is claimed. The taxpayer shall provide evidence of



1 the written commitment to the Oklahoma Tax Commission at the time of  
2 filing the refund claim; provided, if total credits claimed pursuant  
3 to this paragraph exceed the cap amount established pursuant to  
4 paragraph 4 of subsection E of this section, the credit shall be  
5 equal to the taxpayer's proportionate share of the cap for the  
6 taxable year, as determined pursuant to subsection I of this  
7 section.

8 3. The credits authorized pursuant to the provisions of this  
9 subsection shall be allocable to the partners, shareholders,  
10 members, or other equity owners of a taxpayer that is authorized to  
11 be treated as a partnership for purposes of federal income tax  
12 reporting for the taxable year for which the tax credits authorized  
13 by this subsection are claimed on the applicable return, together  
14 with required schedules, forms, or reports of the partners,  
15 shareholders, members, or other equity owners of the taxpayer. Tax  
16 credits which are allocated to such equity owners shall only be  
17 limited in amount for the income tax return of a natural person or  
18 persons based upon the limitation of the total credit amount to the  
19 entity from which the tax credits have been allocated and shall not  
20 be limited to ~~One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)~~ Five Thousand Dollars  
21 (\$5,000.00) for single individuals or limited to ~~Two Thousand~~  
22 ~~Dollars (\$2,000.00)~~ Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for married  
23 persons filing a joint return.

1        4. On or before April 30, 2024, and once every four (4) years  
2 thereafter, such eligible public school foundation and public school  
3 district shall submit to the Oklahoma Tax Commission, the Governor,  
4 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
5 Representatives an audited financial statement for the organization  
6 along with information detailing the benefits, successes, or  
7 failures of the programs.

8        E. Except as otherwise provided pursuant to subsection I of  
9 this section:

10        1. The total credits authorized pursuant to subsection B of  
11 this section for all taxpayers for tax years 2017 through 2021 shall  
12 not exceed Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars  
13 (\$3,500,000.00) annually;

14        2. The total credits authorized pursuant to subsection B of  
15 this section for all taxpayers for tax years 2022 and subsequent tax  
16 years shall not exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00)  
17 annually;

18        3. The total credits authorized pursuant to subsection C of  
19 this section for all taxpayers for tax years 2017 through 2021 shall  
20 not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00)  
21 annually;

22        4. The total credits authorized pursuant to subsections C and D  
23 of this section for all taxpayers for tax year 2022 and subsequent  
24 tax years shall not exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars

1 (\$25,000,000.00) annually. In addition to the cap amount prescribed  
2 by this paragraph, the credit amount shall also be limited to Two  
3 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) of credits per public school  
4 district annually; and

5 5. The cap on total credits provided for in this subsection  
6 shall be allocated by the Tax Commission as provided in subsection I  
7 of this section.

8 F. For credits claimed for eligible contributions made during  
9 tax year 2014 and thereafter, a credit shall not be allowed by the  
10 Oklahoma Tax Commission for contributions made to a scholarship-  
11 granting organization or an educational improvement grant  
12 organization if that organization's percentage of funds actually  
13 awarded is less than ninety percent (90%). For purposes of this  
14 section, the "percentage of funds actually awarded" shall be  
15 determined by dividing the total amount of funds actually awarded as  
16 educational scholarships or educational improvement grants over the  
17 most recent twenty-four (24) months by the total amount available to  
18 award as educational scholarships or educational improvement grants  
19 over the most recent twenty-four (24) months.

20 G. Any tax credits which are earned by a taxpayer pursuant to  
21 this section during the time period beginning August 26, 2011,  
22 through December 31, 2012, may not be claimed for any period prior  
23 to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2013. No credits which  
24 accrue during the time period beginning August 26, 2011, through

1 December 31, 2012, may be used to file an amended tax return for any  
2 taxable year prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2013.

3 H. As used in this section:

4 1. "Eligible student" means a child of school age who is  
5 lawfully present in the United States and who is a member of a  
6 household in which the total annual verified household adjusted  
7 gross income during the preceding tax year does not exceed an amount  
8 equal to three hundred percent (300%) of the ~~income standard used to~~  
9 ~~qualify for a free or reduced-price school lunch~~ federal poverty  
10 level, as published annually by the United States Department of  
11 Health and Human Services or who, during the immediately preceding  
12 school year, attended or, by virtue of the location of such  
13 student's place of residence, was eligible to attend a public school  
14 in this state which has been identified for school improvement as  
15 determined by the State Board of Education pursuant to ~~the~~  
16 ~~requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. No. 107-~~  
17 ~~110~~ Section 1210.545 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Once a  
18 student has received an educational scholarship, as defined in  
19 paragraph 3 of this subsection, the student and any siblings who are  
20 members of the same household shall remain eligible until they  
21 graduate from high school or reach twenty-one (21) years of age,  
22 whichever occurs first;

23 2. "Eligible special needs student" means a child who has been  
24 provided services under an Individualized Family Service Plan

1 through the SoonerStart program and during transition was evaluated  
2 and determined to be eligible for school district services, a child  
3 of school age who has attended public school in our state with an  
4 individualized education program pursuant to the Individuals With  
5 Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A., Section 1400 et seq., or a  
6 child who has been diagnosed by a clinical professional as having a  
7 significant disability that will affect learning and who has been  
8 approved by the board of a scholarship-granting organization;

9 3. "Educational scholarships" means:

- 10 a. scholarships to an eligible student of up to Five  
11 Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or eighty percent (80%)  
12 of the statewide annual average per-pupil expenditure  
13 as determined by the National Center for Education  
14 Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, whichever is  
15 greater, to cover all or part of the tuition, fees,  
16 and transportation costs of a qualified school which  
17 is accredited by the State Board of Education or an  
18 accrediting association approved by the Board pursuant  
19 to Section 3-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
20 b. scholarships to an eligible student of up to Five  
21 Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or eighty percent (80%)  
22 of the statewide annual average per-pupil expenditure  
23 as determined by the National Center for Education  
24 Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, whichever is

greater, to cover the educational costs of a qualified school which does not charge tuition, which enrolls special populations of students, and which is accredited by the State Board of Education or an accrediting association approved by the Board pursuant to Section 3-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or

c. scholarships to an eligible special needs student of up to Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to cover all or part of the tuition, fees, and transportation costs of a qualified school for eligible special needs students which is accredited by the State Board of Education or an accrediting association approved by the Board pursuant to Section 3-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4. "Low-income eligible student" means an eligible student or eligible special needs student who ~~qualifies for a free or reduced-price lunch~~ is a member of a household with a verified household adjusted gross income that does not exceed five hundred fifty-five percent (555%) of the federal poverty level, as published annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services;

5. "Qualified school" means an early childhood, elementary, or secondary private school in this state including schools which

1 provide special educational programs for three-year-olds or  
2 prekindergarten educational programs for four-year-olds, which:

- 3           a.    is accredited by the State Board of Education or an  
4                    accrediting association approved by the Board pursuant  
5                    to Section 3-104 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- 6           b.    is in compliance with all applicable health and safety  
7                    laws and codes,
- 8           c.    has a stated policy against discrimination in  
9                    admissions on the basis of race, color, national  
10                  origin, or disability, and
- 11          d.    ensures academic accountability to parents and  
12                  guardians of students through regular progress  
13                  reports;

14          6. "Qualified school for eligible special needs students" means  
15 an early childhood, elementary, or secondary private school in a  
16 county in this state including schools which provide special  
17 educational programs for three-year-olds or prekindergarten  
18 educational programs for four-year-olds;

19          7. "Scholarship-granting organization" means an organization  
20 which:

- 21           a.    is a nonprofit entity exempt from taxation pursuant to  
22                    the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26  
23                    U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3),

- b. distributes periodic scholarship payments as checks made out to an eligible student's or eligible special needs student's parent or guardian and mailed to the qualified school where the student is enrolled or by secure electronic funds transfer, including, but not limited to, automated clearinghouse transfer, to an account of the qualified school designated to receive scholarship payments on behalf of the eligible student,
- c. spends no more than ten percent (10%) of its annual revenue on expenditures other than educational scholarships as defined in paragraph 3 of this subsection,
- d. spends each year a portion of its expenditures on educational scholarships for low-income eligible students, as defined in paragraph 4 of this subsection, in an amount equal to or greater than the percentage of ~~low-income eligible~~ students in the state whose household adjusted gross income does not exceed five hundred fifty-five percent (555%) of the federal poverty level,
- e. ensures that scholarships are portable during the school year and can be used at any qualified school that accepts the eligible student or at any qualified



1 school for special needs students that accepts the  
2 eligible special needs student,

3 f. registers with the Oklahoma Tax Commission as a  
4 scholarship-granting organization, and

5 g. has policies in place to:

6 (1) carry out criminal background checks on all  
7 employees and board members to ensure that no  
8 individual is involved with the organization who  
9 might reasonably pose a risk to the appropriate  
10 use of contributed funds, and

11 (2) maintain full and accurate records with respect  
12 to the receipt of contributions and expenditures  
13 of those contributions and supply such records  
14 and any other documentation required by the Tax  
15 Commission to demonstrate financial  
16 accountability;

17 8. "Annual revenue" means the total amount or value of  
18 contributions received by an organization from taxpayers awarded  
19 credits during the organization's fiscal year and all amounts earned  
20 from interest or investments. For purposes of determining  
21 compliance with the limitations on administrative expenditures, only  
22 contributions for which a tax credit is allowed pursuant to this  
23 section and received during the applicable fiscal year shall be  
24 included in the calculation, and any interest, dividends, or other

1 investment earnings or income derived from such contributions shall  
2 be excluded;

3 9. "Public school" means public schools as defined in Section  
4 1-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

5 10. "Eligible public school district" means any public school;

6 11. "Early childhood education program" means a special  
7 educational program for eligible special needs students who are  
8 three (3) years of age or a prekindergarten educational program  
9 provided to children who are at least four (4) years of age but not  
10 more than five (5) years of age on or before September 1;

11 12. "Innovative educational program" means an advanced academic  
12 or academic improvement program that is not part of the regular  
13 coursework of a public school but that enhances the curriculum or  
14 academic program of the school or provides early childhood education  
15 programs to students;

16 13. "Educational improvement grant" means a grant to an  
17 eligible public school to implement an innovative educational  
18 program for students including the ability for multiple public  
19 schools to make an application and be awarded a grant to jointly  
20 provide an innovative educational program;

21 14. "Educational improvement grant organization" means an  
22 organization which:  
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- a. is a nonprofit entity exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and
- b. contributes at least ninety percent (90%) of its annual receipts as grants to eligible schools for innovative educational programs. For purposes of this subparagraph, an educational improvement grant organization contributes its annual cash receipts when it expends or otherwise irrevocably encumbers those funds for expenditure during the then current fiscal year of the organization or during the next succeeding fiscal year of the organization; and

15. "Eligible public school foundation" means a nonprofit entity formed pursuant to the laws of this state and is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to either Section 501(c)(3) or Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Each public school foundation must be approved by the local board of education prior to accepting qualifying donations.

I. Total credits authorized by this section shall be allocated as follows:

1. By January 10 of the year immediately following each calendar year, a scholarship-granting organization, an educational improvement grant organization, an eligible public school foundation, or public school district which accepts contributions

1 pursuant to this section shall provide electronically to the Tax  
2 Commission information on each contribution accepted during such  
3 taxable year. At least once each taxable year, the entity making  
4 the report shall notify each contributor that Oklahoma law provides  
5 for a total, statewide cap on the amount of income tax credits  
6 allowed annually;

7       2.    a.    If the Tax Commission determines the total combined  
8               credits claimed for contributions made to scholarship-  
9               granting organizations during the most recently  
10              completed calendar year by all taxpayers are in excess  
11              of the statewide cap amount provided in paragraphs 1  
12              and 2 of subsection E of this section, the Tax  
13              Commission shall first allocate any amount of credits  
14              not claimed for contributions made to organizations  
15              authorized pursuant to subsections C and D of this  
16              section, then shall determine the percentage of the  
17              contribution which establishes the proportionate share  
18              of the credit which may be claimed by any taxpayer so  
19              that the total maximum credits authorized by this  
20              section are not exceeded.

21           b.    If the Tax Commission determines the total combined  
22               credits claimed for contributions made to  
23               organizations authorized pursuant to subsections C and  
24               D of this section during the most recently completed

1           calendar year by all taxpayers are in excess of the  
2           statewide cap amount provided in paragraphs 3 and 4 of  
3           subsection E of this section, the Tax Commission shall  
4           first allocate any amount of credits not claimed for  
5           contributions made to scholarship-granting  
6           organizations, then shall determine the percentage of  
7           the contribution which establishes the proportionate  
8           share of the credit which may be claimed by any  
9           taxpayer so that the maximum credits authorized by  
10          this section are not exceeded.

11          c.   If the Tax Commission determines the total combined  
12               credits claimed for contributions made to  
13               organizations authorized pursuant to subsections C and  
14               D of this section during the most recently completed  
15               calendar year by all taxpayers are in excess of the  
16               per public school district cap pursuant to paragraph 4  
17               of subsection E of this section, the Tax Commission  
18               shall first allocate any amount of credits not claimed  
19               for contributions made to other organizations  
20               authorized pursuant to subsections C and D of this  
21               section, then shall determine the percentage of the  
22               contribution which establishes the proportionate share  
23               of the credit which may be claimed by any taxpayer so  
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1           that the maximum credits authorized by this section  
2           are not exceeded.

3           d.   Beginning for tax year 2016, credits earned, but not  
4           allowed due to the application of statewide caps  
5           provided in subsection E of this section will be  
6           considered suspended and authorized to be used in the  
7           next immediate tax year and applied to the next year's  
8           statewide cap; and

9           3.   The Tax Commission shall publish the percentage of the  
10          contribution which may be claimed as a credit by contributors for  
11          the most recently completed calendar year on the Tax Commission  
12          website no later than February 15 of each calendar year for  
13          contributions made the previous year. Each organization authorized  
14          pursuant to subsections B, C, and D of this section shall notify  
15          contributors of that amount annually.

16          J.   No tax credits authorized by this section shall be used to  
17          reduce the tax liability of the taxpayer to less than zero (0).

18          K.   Any credits authorized by this section allowed but not used  
19          in any tax year may be carried over, in order, to each of the three  
20          (3) years following the year of qualification.

21          L.   1. In order to qualify under this section, each  
22          organization authorized pursuant to subsections C and D of this  
23          section shall submit an application with information to the Oklahoma  
24          Tax Commission on a form prescribed by the Tax Commission that:

- a. enables the Tax Commission to confirm that the organization is a nonprofit entity exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) or Section 509(a), and
- b. describes the proposed innovative educational program or programs supported by the organization.

2. The Tax Commission shall review and approve or disapprove the application, in consultation with the State Department of Education.

3. In order to maintain eligibility under this section, an organization authorized pursuant to subsections C and D of this section shall annually report the following information to the Tax Commission and publish on its website by September 1 of each year:

- a. the name of the innovative educational program or programs and the total amount of the grant or grants made to those programs during the immediately preceding school year,
- b. a description of how each grant was utilized during the immediately preceding school year and a description of any demonstrated or expected innovative educational improvements,
- c. the names of the public school and school districts where innovative educational programs that received

1 grants during the immediately preceding school year  
2 were implemented,

3 d. where the organization collects information on a  
4 county-by-county basis, and

5 e. the total number and total amount of grants made  
6 during the immediately preceding school year for  
7 innovative educational programs at public school by  
8 each county in which the organization made grants.

9 4. The information required under paragraph 3 of this  
10 subsection shall be submitted on a form provided by the Tax  
11 Commission. No later than May 1 of each year, the Tax Commission  
12 shall annually distribute sample forms together with the forms on  
13 which the reports are required to be made to each approved  
14 organization.

15 5. The Tax Commission shall not require any other information  
16 be provided by an organization, except as expressly authorized in  
17 this section.

18 M. 1. Beginning in 2023 for the 2022-2023 academic year, in  
19 order to maintain registration, a scholarship-granting organization  
20 shall annually report to the Tax Commission by September 1 of each  
21 year the following information regarding the educational  
22 scholarships funded by the organization in the previous academic  
23 year:



- 1 a. the name and address of the scholarship-granting  
2 organization,
- 3 b. the names of the qualifying schools that received  
4 funding for educational scholarships, the total amount  
5 of funds paid to each qualifying school, and the total  
6 number of scholarship recipients enrolled in each  
7 qualifying school,
- 8 c. the total number and total dollar amount of  
9 contributions received during the previous academic  
10 year,
- 11 d. the total number and total dollar amount of  
12 educational scholarships awarded and funded during the  
13 previous academic year,
- 14 e. the total number, total dollar amount, and percentage  
15 of educational scholarships awarded and funded during  
16 the previous academic year disaggregated into the  
17 following categories:
- 18 (1) low-income eligible students, as determined by  
19 verified household adjusted gross income bands as  
20 follows:
- 21 (a) less than or equal to one hundred eighty-  
22 five percent (185%) of the federal poverty  
23 level,
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1                    (b) from one hundred eighty-six percent (186%)  
2                    to three hundred percent (300%) of the  
3                    federal poverty level, and

4                    (c) from three hundred one percent (301%) to  
5                    five hundred fifty-five percent (555%) of  
6                    the federal poverty level,

7                    (2) students who during the immediately preceding  
8                    school year attended or who were eligible by  
9                    virtue of the residence of the student to attend  
10                   a public school in the state which was identified  
11                   for school improvement by the State Board of  
12                   Education pursuant to Section 1210.545 of Title  
13                   70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,

14                   (3) eligible special needs students, and

15                   (4) students who were first-time recipients of a  
16                   scholarship including information about the type  
17                   of public or private school the student was  
18                   enrolled in during the entire previous academic  
19                   year,

20                   f. the percentage of annual revenue received by the  
21                   organization from donations which qualify for tax  
22                   credits pursuant to this section which was not  
23                   expended on scholarships,

g. disaggregated data reported under this subsection shall be redacted if reporting would allow for identification of specific children, and shall be reported in accordance with the Student Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013, ~~division~~ subparagraph b of subparagraph paragraph 2 of subsection C of Section 3-168 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), 20 U.S.C., Section 1232g, and

h. the percentage of the total amount of education scholarship expenditures spent on low-income eligible students, as determined by verified household adjusted gross income bands as follows:

(1) less than or equal to one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal poverty level,

(2) from one hundred eighty-six percent (186%) to three hundred percent (300%) of the federal poverty level, and

(3) from three hundred one percent (301%) to five hundred fifty-five percent (555%) of the federal poverty level.

2. The Tax Commission shall make available on its website:

- a. the information submitted by the scholarship-granting organization pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection,
- b. a list of participating schools, and
- c. all other application information submitted to the Tax Commission by a scholarship-granting organization, except that information which would violate the privacy of an individual.

3. A scholarship-granting organization shall annually submit verification to the Tax Commission that the organization still meets the criteria set forth in paragraph 7 of subsection H of this section.

N. Contributions made pursuant to subsections B, C, and D of this section shall not be used by the Legislature to reduce the amount appropriated for the financial support of public schools.

O. In consultation with the State Department of Education, the Tax Commission shall promulgate rules necessary to implement the Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Education Scholarship Act. The rules shall include procedures for the registration of a scholarship-granting organization, an educational improvement grant organization, a public school foundation, or public school district for purposes of determining if the organization meets the requirements of the Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Education Scholarship Act or for the revocation of the registration of an organization, if

1 applicable, and for notice as required in subsection I of this  
2 section.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 2027.

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