

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1262

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to higher education; providing certain tuition waiver for individuals who are victims of certain offenses; limiting use of waiver for certain time period; 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 3218.7-2 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, no resident tuition shall be charged to an individual who was a victim of human trafficking for commercial sex or human trafficking for labor, as such terms are defined in Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, who was under the age of eighteen (18) and a resident of this state at the time of the offense.

B. A tuition waiver provided for in subsection A of this section shall be limited to five (5) years.

1 C. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall
2 promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section
3 including tuition waiver application requirements.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.

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

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