

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1357

By: Hicks

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to adult education and family literacy matching funds; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-110.1, which relates to the allocation of funds for adult education; providing dollar-for-dollar matching funds and contingency program funding; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-110.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-110.1. A. Funds appropriated to the State Board of Career and Technology Education ~~for Adult Education Matching Funds to match monies received through the United States Department of Education for adult education and literacy~~ shall be provided to

school districts which offer courses leading to a high school equivalency diploma. The State Board of Career and Technology Education shall promulgate rules for the distribution of the funds.

B. Subject to the availability of funding, the Legislature shall provide matching funds for federal grant funds received by the state through the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act provided

1 by the United States Department of Education, or any successor grant  
2 program of the same purpose administered by any agency of the United  
3 States, on a dollar-for-dollar basis. In the event that federal  
4 grant funding for the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act is  
5 discontinued and no successor program is designated, the Legislature  
6 shall continue the program at a rate equal to twice the last full  
7 year of federal grant funds received from the program, subject to  
8 the availability of funding.

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

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

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