

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

SENATE BILL 1249

By: Bergstrom

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to higher education; prohibiting certain institutions of higher education from using state funds to provide certain scholarship, grant, aid, or discount to certain students; 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 3242.4 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year, an institution of higher education within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be prohibited from using state funds to provide a scholarship, a grant, tuition aid, or discounted tuition to foreign national students who are enrolled in the institution.

B. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

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

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

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