

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3255

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8 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
9 Section 628.13, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 236,
10 O.S.L. 2018 (70 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 628.13),
11 which relates to concurrent enrollment; limiting
12 amount of concurrent enrollment tuition waiver; and
13 providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 628.13, as
16 amended by Section 1, Chapter 236, O.S.L. 2018 (70 O.S. Supp. 2019,
17 Section 628.13), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 628.13 A. 1. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
19 Education, in cooperation with the State Board of Education, shall
20 actively encourage the concurrent enrollment in college or
21 university courses of eligible high school students on high school
22 campuses, on college and university campuses and via online courses.

23 2. The State Regents and State Board shall establish concurrent
24 enrollment requirements with an emphasis on determining course

1 readiness and take all necessary actions to ensure the availability
2 of concurrent enrollment opportunities to students in all Oklahoma
3 high schools.

4 B. The State Board of Education in cooperation with the
5 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall prepare
6 promotional materials explaining the requirements, features and
7 opportunities of concurrent enrollment and shall ensure that the
8 independent school districts distribute the materials to each
9 student prior to enrollment for each year of high school.

10 C. No institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher
11 Education shall deny enrollment in any course to any otherwise
12 eligible high school student, or student of at least thirteen (13)
13 years of age who is receiving high-school-level instruction at home,
14 who meets the requirements of concurrent enrollment, nor shall any
15 independent school district prohibit any student who meets the
16 requirements of concurrent enrollment from participating.

17 D. 1. Each high school senior who meets the eligibility
18 requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive
19 a tuition waiver equivalent to the lesser of the following:

- 20 a. the actual amount of resident tuition for the credit
21 hours enrolled for a maximum of eighteen (18) credit
22 hours in the student's senior year, or
23 b. the average amount of resident tuition of all the
24 community junior colleges in the state for a maximum

1 of eighteen (18) credit hours in ~~their~~ the student's
2 senior year.

3 2. Subject to the high school senior concurrent enrollment
4 program being fully funded and subject to the availability of
5 additional funds, each high school junior who meets the eligibility
6 requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive
7 a tuition waiver equivalent to the lesser of the following:

8 a. the actual amount of resident tuition for the credit
9 hours enrolled for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours
10 in the student's junior year, or

11 b. the average amount of resident tuition of all the
12 community junior colleges in the state for a maximum
13 of nine (9) credit hours in ~~their~~ the student's junior
14 year, ~~subject to the availability of funds.~~

15 3. Tuition waivers provided pursuant to this section shall be
16 granted without any limitation on the number of waivers granted in
17 any year other than the amount of funds available for the program
18 and the number of eligible applicants.

19 E. When a student earns college credit through concurrent
20 enrollment, school districts shall provide academic credit for any
21 concurrently enrolled higher education courses that are correlated
22 with the academic credit awarded by the institution of higher
23 education. Academic credit shall only be transcribed as elective
24 credit if there is no correlation between the concurrent enrollment

1 higher education course and a course provided by the school
2 district.

3 F. On or before December 1 of each year, the Oklahoma State
4 Regents for Higher Education shall issue an annual report on the
5 concurrent enrollment program implemented pursuant to this section.
6 The annual report shall include but not be limited to the following
7 information:

8 1. The number of students participating in concurrent
9 enrollment;

10 2. The number of students participating in concurrent
11 enrollment who received tuition waivers pursuant to subsection D of
12 this section;

13 3. The high school graduation rate of students described in
14 paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection; and

15 4. The number of students described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of
16 this subsection who earned an associate's degree or a bachelor's
17 degree at an institution of higher education.

18 The annual report shall be posted on the websites of the
19 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the State Department
20 of Education.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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