1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 4 FOR 5 HOUSE BILL NO. 3255 By: Nollan 6 7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 8 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011, 9 Section 628.13, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 236, O.S.L. 2018 (70 O.S. Supp. 2019, Section 628.13), 10 which relates to concurrent enrollment; limiting amount of concurrent enrollment tuition waiver; and 11 providing an effective date. 12 1.3 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

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

- B. The State Board of Education in cooperation with the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall prepare promotional materials explaining the requirements, features and opportunities of concurrent enrollment and shall ensure that the independent school districts distribute the materials to each student prior to enrollment for each year of high school.
- C. No institution of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall deny enrollment in any course to any otherwise eligible high school student, or student of at least thirteen (13) years of age who is receiving high-school-level instruction at home, who meets the requirements of concurrent enrollment, nor shall any independent school district prohibit any student who meets the requirements of concurrent enrollment from participating.
- D. 1. Each high school senior who meets the eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the lesser of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> the actual amount of resident tuition for the credit hours enrolled for a maximum of eighteen (18) credit hours in the student's senior year, or
 - b. the average amount of resident tuition of all the community junior colleges in the state for a maximum

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

- 2. Subject to the high school senior concurrent enrollment program being fully funded and subject to the availability of additional funds, each high school junior who meets the eligibility requirements for concurrent enrollment shall be entitled to receive a tuition waiver equivalent to the lesser of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> the actual amount of resident tuition for the credit hours enrolled for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours in the student's junior year, or
 - b. the average amount of resident tuition of all the community junior colleges in the state for a maximum of nine (9) credit hours in their the student's junior year, subject to the availability of funds.
- 3. Tuition waivers provided pursuant to this section shall be granted without any limitation on the number of waivers granted in any year other than the amount of funds available for the program and the number of eligible applicants.
- E. When a student earns college credit through concurrent enrollment, school districts shall provide academic credit for any concurrently enrolled higher education courses that are correlated with the academic credit awarded by the institution of higher education. Academic credit shall only be transcripted as elective credit if there is no correlation between the concurrent enrollment

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- F. On or before December 1 of each year, the Oklahoma State
 Regents for Higher Education shall issue an annual report on the
 concurrent enrollment program implemented pursuant to this section.
 The annual report shall include but not be limited to the following information:
- The number of students participating in concurrent enrollment;
- 2. The number of students participating in concurrent enrollment who received tuition waivers pursuant to subsection D of this section;
- 3. The high school graduation rate of students described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection; and
- 4. The number of students described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection who earned an associate's degree or a bachelor's degree at an institution of higher education.
- The annual report shall be posted on the websites of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the State Department of Education.
- 21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.
- COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER TECH, dated 02/19/2020 DO PASS, As Amended.

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