1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023) 3 ENGROSSED SENATE 4 BILL NO. 126 By: Bullard of the Senate 5 and 6 Conley of the House 7 8 9 [students - notification - records - effective date 10 11 emergency] 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 14 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-144, is SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 15 amended to read as follows: 16 17 Section 5-144. A. If in the course of an investigation it is discovered that a person charged in an information or indictment 18 with a felony or violent misdemeanor is a student or an employee of 19 20 a school district or a public school in the state, or an employee working on school property for an entity that provides services to a 21 school district or a public school on school property, with due 22 regard for the provisions of subsection C of Section 2-6-102 of 23 Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes, the district attorney shall 24

notify the superintendent of the district of the charges filed
against the student or employee. In addition to notifying the
superintendent of the district when charges have been filed against
an employee of the school district, the district attorney shall
notify the State Board of Education.

- B. If in the course of an arrest for a violent crime, as defined by Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes, it is discovered that the person being arrested is a student of a school district or public school in this state, the arresting law enforcement agency shall notify the superintendent of the school district or public school in which the student is enrolled. The notification of the arrest and any information regarding the adjudication of the student shall be conducted with due regard for the provisions of subsection C of Section 2-6-102 of Title 10A of the Oklahoma Statutes. The notification and related information shall be kept as part of the student's permanent records and shall only be included in the records provided to a receiving district due to a student transfer conducted pursuant to the Education Open Transfer Act if the student is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a violent crime.
- C. Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, each school

 district shall include in its student enrollment and transfer

 documentation a request for information regarding any arrest of a

 student for a violent crime, as defined by Section 571 of Title 57

1	of the Oklahoma Statutes. Failure to provide information requested
2	pursuant to this subsection shall not prohibit the enrollment or
3	transfer of a student.

- <u>D.</u> The school district may take any action it deems necessary that is in compliance with the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 with regard to such information.
- C. E. When an employee of the school district has been convicted, whether upon a verdict or plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or received a suspended sentence or any probationary term for a crime provided for in subparagraph a of paragraph 6 of Section 3-104 of this title, the district court shall notify the State Board of Education of said the conviction, if the district court has discovered during the course of the proceedings that the person is an employee of a school district.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.
- SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 04/11/2023 - DO PASS, As Amended.