BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: HB2181
Version: Introduced
Request Number: 5187
Author: Rep. Kevin West
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

HB 2181, as introduced, changes regulations around communicable diseases and quarantine protocols. The measure:

- Removes the State Department of Health's authority, and a local county health department's authority, to determine whether a child with lice or a communicable disease can return to school;
- Removes a school's authority to prohibit a sick student from coming to school, and instead requires the parent to comply with the school's communicable disease policy;
- Authorizes local health departments and the State Department of Health to provide guidance and assistance to schools in setting or changing their communicable disease policies.
- Prohibits a local health officer from forcing a person to relocate from their residence if they are suspected of having a communicable disease; and
- Authorizes district courts to overturn a quarantine isolation order issued by a local health officer.
- Repeals this section of law: 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-505
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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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