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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
8 Section 1210.507, as last amended by Section 7,
9 Chapter 430, O.S.L. 2014 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section
10 1210.507), which relates to the Oklahoma School
11 Testing Program Act; requiring the State Board of
12 Education to promulgate rules for the administration
13 of certain tests in certain languages; and declaring
14 an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 1210.507, as
17 last amended by Section 7, Chapter 430, O.S.L. 2014 (70 O.S. Supp.
18 2014, Section 1210.507), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1210.507 A. The State Board of Education shall
20 promulgate rules necessary for the implementation and administration
21 of the provisions of the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act. The
22 Board shall promulgate rules to provide for the administration of
23 the Oklahoma School Testing Program criterion-referenced tests in
24 the primary language of students with limited English proficiency
and students identified as English language learners.

1 B. The State Board of Education shall require school district
2 boards of education to annually provide information to the
3 district's students, parents of students, and the public at large
4 about the proper meaning and use of tests administered pursuant to
5 the provisions of the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act. The
6 Department shall develop materials and make them available to school
7 districts regarding the Oklahoma School Testing Program.

8 C. 1. Students enrolled in an online course or program that is
9 offered by a school district or charter school that is not the
10 district of residence or is not located in the district of residence
11 of the student shall be provided the opportunity to take any test
12 required pursuant to the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act or any
13 other test generally required of students by the school district in
14 which the student is enrolled at an alternative testing location
15 approved by the State Board of Education. The alternative testing
16 locations may be at sites that are not in the school district that
17 is offering the online course or program or the district of
18 residence. Alternative testing locations may include technology
19 center school sites or any other testing location selected by the
20 school district or charter school offering the online course or
21 program. All alternative testing locations shall be subject to
22 testing location rules promulgated by the State Board of Education.
23 The school district or charter school offering the online course or
24 program shall be responsible for any cost incurred in providing an

1 alternative testing location and any additional cost of
2 administering a test at an alternative testing location. In order
3 to provide alternative testing locations at geographically dispersed
4 sites, the school district or charter school offering the online
5 course or program shall, at a minimum, provide not less than six
6 alternative testing locations, with at least one location in each
7 quadrant of the state and in each of the two metropolitan areas in
8 the state. Additional alternative testing locations may be provided
9 by the school district or charter school offering the online course
10 or program.

11 2. The performance of students on any test required pursuant to
12 the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act or any other test generally
13 required of students by the school district who are enrolled full-
14 time in an online program that is offered by a school district or
15 charter school that is not the district of residence or is not
16 located in the district of residence of the student shall be
17 reported separately by the school district or charter school and
18 shall not be included when determining the performance levels of the
19 school district or charter school in the Oklahoma School Testing
20 Program as reported in the Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program.

21 D. The State Board of Education shall seek to establish and
22 post on the Internet a sample test item bank that will be made
23 available to teachers and will allow them to create and deliver
24 classroom assessments throughout the school year to check for

1 student mastery of key concepts assessed by the criterion-referenced
2 tests administered to students pursuant to the Oklahoma School
3 Testing Program Act. Subject to the availability of funds, the
4 Board shall annually release end-of-instruction test items and make
5 them available to the public.

6 E. The State Board of Education shall post on the Internet
7 criterion-referenced sample tests for each grade level and subject
8 matter test administered to students pursuant to the Oklahoma School
9 Testing Program Act for the purpose of communicating expectation
10 concerning test difficulty level and format to teacher, parents and
11 students. The Board shall maintain the sample tests on the Internet
12 throughout the year and, as changes are made in the state academic
13 content standards, shall update the sample tests. The Board shall
14 seek to expand the number of sample test items each year and to
15 revise test items as needed. The sample tests shall reflect the
16 actual test administered to students and may contain questions used
17 on actual tests given in previous years.

18 F. The State Board of Education shall seek to implement an
19 electronic delivery system for all tests administered pursuant to
20 the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act that will allow students to
21 participate in computer-based assessments in order to expedite the
22 delivery and use of the test results. Notwithstanding the
23 requirement to implement online or computer-based assessments as
24 otherwise provided by law, in circumstances where the administration

1 or delivery of an online or computer-based assessment has been or
2 will be disrupted, delayed or cause problems with student
3 participation, the Board may stop or cancel the online or computer-
4 based assessment and administer the assessment by another means.

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

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