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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 3510

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8 An Act relating to school reports; amending 70 O.S.  
9 2021, Section 3-151.1, which relates to high school  
10 graduation rates; modifying calculation of the four-  
11 year and extended-year adjusted cohort graduation  
12 rates; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1210.545, which  
13 relates to annual school reports; including  
14 additional statewide measures for quality or success;  
15 excluding chronic absenteeism data from measures and  
16 reports; expanding items to include in postsecondary  
17 opportunities; providing an effective date; and  
18 declaring an emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3-151.1, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 3-151.1 A. For purposes of establishing a uniform and  
23 accurate definition of high school graduation rate for school  
24 districts and secondary schools in the state, the State Board of  
Education shall adopt and implement a four-year adjusted cohort  
graduation rate and an extended-year adjusted cohort graduation  
rate. The Board shall utilize and report the four-year adjusted

1 cohort graduation rate and the extended-year adjusted cohort  
2 graduation rate at the secondary school site, the school district  
3 and the state level, and the graduation rates shall be reported in  
4 the aggregate as well as disaggregated by subgroups as required in  
5 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 2001 (ESEA), P.L. No.  
6 107-110, also known as the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

7 B. The Board shall use the four-year adjusted cohort graduation  
8 rate for purposes of determining the high school graduation rate  
9 indicator for the academic performance data calculation beginning  
10 with state and district report cards providing results of  
11 assessments administered in the 2011-2012 school year. The Board  
12 shall use the four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate for  
13 establishing the high school graduation rate for measuring alternate  
14 year percentage growth targets as set forth in Section 3-151.2 of  
15 this title beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

16 C. The four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate shall be  
17 defined as the number of students who graduate in four (4) years  
18 with a standard high school diploma divided by the number of  
19 students who entered high school four (4) years earlier, ~~adjusted~~  
20 ~~for transfers.~~ Students who transfer in and out of the school,  
21 émigrés emigrate to another country, and deceased students shall not  
22 be included in the adjusted cohort graduation rate. Students who  
23 graduate in four (4) years shall include students who earn a  
24 standard high school diploma at the end of their fourth year, before

1 the end of their fourth year, and during a summer session  
2 immediately following their fourth year. To remove a student from a  
3 cohort, a school district shall confirm in writing or by electronic  
4 means that a student has transferred out of the school site or  
5 school district, has emigrated to another country, or is deceased.  
6 For a student who transfers out of a school site or school district,  
7 the written or electronic confirmation shall be official and  
8 document that the student has enrolled in another school site or  
9 school district or in an educational program that culminates in a  
10 high school diploma recognized by a state or private higher  
11 educational institution accredited or recognized by the Oklahoma  
12 State Regents for Higher Education for purposes of admission to the  
13 institution. Students who are not enrolled in a program which  
14 culminates in the award of a credential recognized by a state or  
15 private higher educational institution for purposes of admissions  
16 shall not be included in the graduation rate calculation as set  
17 forth in this subsection as a student who graduated in four (4)  
18 years with a standard high school diploma but shall be included in  
19 the number of students who entered high school four (4) years  
20 earlier.

21 D. The extended-year adjusted cohort graduation rate shall be  
22 defined as the number of students who graduate in four (4) years or  
23 five (5) years with a high school diploma divided by the number of  
24 students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation

1 rate as calculated as provided for in subsection C of this section,  
2 ~~provided that the adjustments add to the cohort all students who~~  
3 ~~transfer into the cohort by the end of the year of graduation being~~  
4 ~~considered and subtract students who transfer out, emigrate to~~  
5 ~~another country or are deceased by the end of that year.~~ The  
6 extended-year adjusted cohort graduation rate shall be reported  
7 separately from the four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate.

8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1210.545, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1210.545 A. Except as otherwise provided, as part of  
11 the accountability system developed as provided for in Section  
12 1210.541 of this title, the State Board of Education shall prepare  
13 annual reports of the results of the Oklahoma School Testing Program  
14 which describe student achievement in the state, and each school  
15 site, pursuant to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965  
16 (ESEA) as reauthorized by P.L. No. 114-95, also known as the Every  
17 Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), and any related federal regulations.

18 B. The annual report as required pursuant to subsection A of  
19 this section shall identify school sites as having one of the  
20 following grades for each indicator, separately, and by a single  
21 overview grade of all indicators, defined according to rules of the  
22 State Board of Education:

- 23 1. "A" means schools making excellent progress;
- 24 2. "B" means schools making above average progress;

1 3. "C" means schools making satisfactory progress;

2 4. "D" means schools making less than satisfactory progress;

3 and

4 5. "F" means schools failing to make adequate progress.

5 C. Each school that has students who are tested and included in  
6 the school grading system as provided for in this section shall  
7 receive a school grade, except as follows:

8 1. A school shall not receive a school grade if the number of  
9 students tested and included in the school grading system is less  
10 than the minimum sample size necessary for statistical reliability  
11 and prevention of the unlawful release of personally identifiable  
12 student data. The State Board of Education is directed to establish  
13 the lowest minimum sample size necessary to meet the requirements of  
14 this paragraph; and

15 2. The academic performance of students who are enrolled full-  
16 time in an online program that is offered by a school district or  
17 charter school that is not the district of residence or is not  
18 located in the district of residence of the student shall be  
19 reported separately by the school district or charter school and  
20 shall not be included when determining the grade of the school site  
21 or charter school.

22 D. The State Board of Education may adopt alternate systems of  
23 accountability for statewide virtual charter schools, alternative  
24 education programs as defined in Section 1210.568 of this title, and

1 schools serving only grades prekindergarten or kindergarten through  
2 two.

3 E. The grade of a school shall be based on a multimeasures  
4 approach to accountability in accordance with the Elementary and  
5 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as reauthorized by P.L. No.  
6 114-95, also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and any  
7 federal regulations that include, but are not limited to, the  
8 following indicators:

- 9 1. Statewide assessments, including the establishment of  
10 student performance bands;
- 11 2. Graduation rates for high schools;
- 12 3. Statewide academic measures for elementary and middle  
13 schools;
- 14 4. English language proficiency for English learners; and
- 15 5. At least one additional statewide measure of school quality  
16 or student success, including, but not limited to, school climate~~;~~  
17 school safety~~;~~ student engagement, which may include, but not be  
18 limited to, percentage of students enrolled in community service  
19 learning, computer science, fine arts, physical education, and  
20 health; educator engagement; and/or advanced coursework and  
21 postsecondary readiness. Chronic absenteeism shall not be included  
22 as any statewide measure of school quality or student success.

23 F. Of the indicators included in subsection E of this section,  
24 not less than seventy percent (70%) of the overview grade must be

1 given to indicators 1, 2, 3 and 4 and, in the aggregate, with not  
2 more than thirty percent (30%) of the grade given to indicator 5.

3 G. Further, the grade of an elementary or middle school site  
4 shall include, but not be limited to, a measure of status for  
5 English language arts (ELA), math and science, growth in ELA and  
6 math, and English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA) progress,  
7 ~~and chronic absenteeism.~~

8 H. The grade of a high school site shall include, but not be  
9 limited to, a measure of status for English language arts (ELA),  
10 math and science status, English Language Proficiency Assessment  
11 (ELPA) progress, graduation rate, ~~chronic absenteeism,~~ and  
12 postsecondary opportunities. For purposes of this section  
13 postsecondary opportunities shall include Advanced Placement,  
14 International Baccalaureate, dual and concurrent enrollment, scoring  
15 Silver Level or above on American College Testing (ACT) WorkKeys,  
16 internships, mentorships and apprenticeships, military readiness as  
17 evidenced by being accepted for enlistment into any branch of the  
18 military within the first year after high school graduation or  
19 earning a military-readiness score on the Armed Services Vocational  
20 Aptitude Battery (ASVAB), and industry certifications. The Board  
21 shall adopt a time line for moving from completion of such  
22 opportunities to crediting achievement of such opportunities.

23 I. The annual report shall identify the performance of each  
24 school as having improved, remained the same, or declined. This

1 school improvement rating shall be based on a comparison of the  
2 student and school performance data of the current year to the  
3 previous year data.

4 J. The State Department of Education shall annually develop a  
5 school site report card to be delivered to parents throughout each  
6 school district. The report card shall be in accordance with the  
7 requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965  
8 (ESEA), as reauthorized and amended by P.L. No. 114-95, also known  
9 as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and includes the grade for  
10 the school, information regarding school improvement, an explanation  
11 of school performance, and indicators of return on investment. The  
12 report card for each school site shall be published annually by the  
13 Department on its website, and every school district shall provide  
14 the school site report card to the parent or guardian of each  
15 student enrolled in the school site. In order to provide  
16 information regarding school performance for school report cards  
17 issued during the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school year, the  
18 Department shall include an explanation of the changes to the  
19 statewide system of student assessments as required in Section  
20 1210.508 of this title and how the transition in assessments may  
21 impact school performance. The Department shall issue school report  
22 cards using the 2016-2017 school year assessment data that is  
23 available.

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1 K. The Legislature may factor in the performance of schools in  
2 calculating any performance-based funding policy that is provided to  
3 public school districts.

4 L. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to  
5 implement the provisions of this section.

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

7 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
8 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
9 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
10 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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