1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024) 3 SENATE BILL 1359 By: Pugh 4 5 6 AS INTRODUCED 7 An Act relating to higher education; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3218.14, which relates to tuition and 8 fee recommendations; prohibiting the tuition and fee rates from exceeding the rates approved in certain 9 academic year; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency. 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 3218.14, is 14 amended to read as follows: 15 Section 3218.14. Each A. Except as provided for in subsection 16 B of this section, each institution and constituent agency shall 17 have the option to recommend to the governing board and to the 18 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education fees and tuition to be 19 charged to students enrolled at the institution or constituent 20 agency. The fees and tuition shall not exceed the limits 21 established by law. The State Regents shall consider and if 22 appropriate $_{\mathcal{T}}$ shall approve the recommendations of the institution or 23 constituent agency pursuant to Article XIII-A of the Oklahoma

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B. Beginning with the 2024-2025 academic year, the tuition and fee rates to be charged to students enrolled at an institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall not exceed the tuition and fee rates approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the 2023-2024 academic year. SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024. 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. 59-2-2514 EB 12/15/2023 9:06:55 AM

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