

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 516

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to higher education; directing the  
8 State Auditor and Inspector to perform a performance  
9 audit on certain program; requiring the audit to be  
10 performed during certain fiscal year and once every  
11 five years thereafter; authorizing the State Auditor  
12 and Inspector to take custody of certain records;  
13 directing the State Auditor and Inspector to meet  
14 with the Chancellor of Higher Education and the State  
15 Regents for Higher Education to review certain  
16 report; requiring the report to include certain  
17 responses; directing filing of report; providing for  
18 posting of report on certain website; providing for  
19 codification; providing an effective date; and  
20 declaring an emergency.

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

22 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2606 of Title 70, unless there  
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Auditor and Inspector shall perform a performance  
audit on the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program implemented  
pursuant to Section 2601 et seq. of Title 70 of the Oklahoma  
Statutes during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and at least  
once every five (5) years thereafter.

1 B. The State Auditor and Inspector shall have the power to take  
2 custody of any records necessary to the performance of the audit but  
3 shall minimize actual physical removal of or denial of access to  
4 such records.

5 C. At the conclusion of the audit, the State Auditor and  
6 Inspector shall meet with the Chancellor of Higher Education and the  
7 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to review the audit  
8 report to be issued. The report, when issued, shall include any  
9 responses to the audit which the Chancellor of Higher Education or  
10 the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education wish to have  
11 included.

12 D. The State Auditor and Inspector shall file the report with  
13 the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the  
14 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Oklahoma State Regents  
15 for Higher Education shall post the completed report to its website.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

17 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
18 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
19 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
20 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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