

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 925

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
8 Section 1722, which relates to the purpose of the
9 Oklahoma School for the Blind; expanding purpose to
10 include making certain recommendations; amending 70
11 O.S. 2011, Section 1734, which relates to the
12 Oklahoma School for the Deaf; expanding purpose to
13 include making certain recommendations; providing an
14 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 1722, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1722. The purposes of the Oklahoma School for the Blind
19 shall be to:

20 1. Provide academic, vocational, social/emotional, and cultural
21 instruction as well as independent living skills and transitional
22 needs for children who are blind or visually impaired; ~~and~~

23 2. Serve as a statewide resource center for educational
24 services for children who are blind or visually impaired; and

25 3. To evaluate and make individualized education program (IEP)
recommendations, in accordance with the Individuals with

1 Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), to school districts for blind and
2 visually impaired students as identified by the State Department of
3 Education.

4 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 1734, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 1734. The purposes of the Oklahoma School for the Deaf
7 shall be:

8 1. To provide academic, vocational, social/emotional, and
9 cultural instruction as well as independent living skills and
10 transitional needs for children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing; ~~and~~

11 2. To serve as a statewide resource center for educational
12 services for children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing; and

13 3. To evaluate and make individualized education program (IEP)
14 recommendations, in accordance with the Individuals with
15 Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), to school districts for deaf and
16 hearing impaired students as identified by the State Department of
17 Education.

18 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.

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

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