

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 185 creates the Oklahoma Department of Transportation Educational Assistance Act and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation Educational Assistance Program to provide tuition and fee assistance to eligible students who enroll in an institution of higher education in this state and agree to work for ODOT for the 5 years immediately following the date of the student's receipt of an eligible degree. The caps assistance at 18 credit hours each semester. It directs tuition and fee assistance to be provided to eligible students enrolled in a graduate program if assistance for undergraduate programs is fully funded. The bill prohibits assistance for courses in which a student earns a failing grade. It establishes eligibility criteria. It establishes assistance repayment requirements and provides for submission of a hardship waiver request. It allows ODOT to accept gifts and grants to support the program. The measure also creates the Oklahoma Department of Transportation Educational Assistance Revolving Fund.

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