

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

HOUSE BILL 3626

By: Goodwin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-118, which relates to board of education meetings; increasing meeting stipend amount for certain board of education members; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-118, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-118. Regular meetings of the board of education of each school district shall be held upon the first Monday of each month, or upon such day as may be fixed by the board. Special meetings may be held from time to time as circumstances may demand.

All meetings of the boards of education shall be public meetings, and in all such meetings the vote of each member must be publicly cast and recorded. Executive sessions will be permitted only for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignations of

1 any or all of the employees or volunteers of the school district,
2 and for the purpose of discussing negotiations concerning employees
3 and representatives of employee groups, and for the purpose of
4 hearing evidence and discussing the expulsion or suspension of a
5 student or students only when requested by the student involved or
6 his or her parent, attorney, or legal guardian; provided, however,
7 that any vote or action thereon must be taken in a public meeting
8 with the vote of each member publicly cast and recorded. It is
9 required that the board of education shall provide notice to the
10 student, his or her parent, attorney, or legal guardian that said
11 student is entitled to an executive session regarding the discussion
12 of expulsion or suspension of said student.

13 Any action taken in violation of the provisions of this act
14 shall be invalid.

15 Each member of the board of education of a school district with
16 an average daily attendance exceeding fifteen thousand (15,000) or a
17 school district where boundaries encompass a total population
18 exceeding one hundred thousand (100,000) persons according to the
19 last preceding Federal Decennial Census may be paid from the
20 district's general fund a stipend of ~~Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)~~
21 One Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$190.00) for each regular, special or
22 adjourned meeting of the board of education that he or she attends,
23 but not for more than four meetings in any calendar month.
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1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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