

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4 HOUSE BILL 3727

By: Lowe (Jason) of the House

5 and

6 **Matthews** of the Senate

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 An Act relating to schools; requiring students in the
11 third through fifth grades to receive instruction in
12 cursive handwriting; providing for competency in
13 reading and legibly writing in cursive by specified
14 time; providing for codification; providing an
15 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-103.16 of Title 70, unless
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, each school district and
21 charter school shall provide instruction in cursive handwriting for
22 students in the third through fifth grades. The instruction shall
23 be designed to enable students to demonstrate competency in reading
24 cursive and legibly writing in cursive by the end of fifth grade.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 02/20/2024
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