

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 18

By: Loveless of the Senate

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4 Echols of the House

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6 An Act relating to schools; creating a task force to
7 study school administrative costs and identify
8 efficiencies; providing expiration date; setting
9 duties; providing for membership; providing for
10 naming of chair; providing for quorum; providing
11 frequency of meetings; subjecting meetings to the
12 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; providing that members
13 receive no compensation or travel reimbursement;
14 providing for staff support; requiring certain
15 report; providing for noncodification; providing an
16 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
19 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

20 A. There is hereby created until December 31, 2015, a task
21 force to study school administrative costs, identify efficiencies
22 and develop recommendations for producing savings to be directed
23 toward the classroom.

24 B. The task force shall be comprised of thirteen (13) members
to be appointed as follows:

1. Three members appointed by the Governor;

1 2. Three members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the
2 Senate;

3 3. Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
4 Representatives;

5 4. Two members who are employees of a school district with an
6 average daily membership of one thousand (1,000) or more, appointed
7 by the State Board of Education from a list of recommendations
8 submitted by a statewide organization that represents public school
9 superintendents; and

10 5. Two members who are employees of a school district with an
11 average daily membership of less than one thousand (1,000),
12 appointed by the State Board of Education from a list of
13 recommendations submitted by a statewide organization that
14 represents public school superintendents.

15 The chair of the task force shall be selected by the Governor.

16 C. A quorum of the task force shall be required to approve any
17 final action of the task force. For purposes of this section, seven
18 members shall constitute a quorum.

19 D. The task force may meet as often as may be required in order
20 to perform the duties imposed upon it.

21 E. The meetings of the task force shall be subject to the
22 Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

23 F. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation or
24 travel reimbursement.

1 G. Staff support shall be provided by the State Department of
2 Education, the Senate and the House of Representatives.

3 H. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and
4 recommendations by November 30, 2015, to the Governor, the President
5 Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
6 Representatives.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

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

12 Passed the Senate the 5th day of March, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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16 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
17 2015.

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