

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1531

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; directing the State Board
8 of Career and Technology Education to establish
9 certain pilot program to provide certain grants;
10 providing eligibility for grants; providing for grant
11 applications to be made to certain board on certain
12 form; providing for review, approval and disapproval
13 of applications; requiring school districts with
14 certain average daily memberships to be included in
15 pilot program; directing the State Board of Career
16 and Technology Education, subject to availability of
17 funds, to allocate certain amount of funds for the
18 pilot program; requiring pilot program grant
19 recipients to submit certain report; providing for
20 contents of report; directing the State Board of
21 Education to determine if certain programs are
22 eligible for certain academic credit; providing for
23 promulgation of rules; providing for codification;
24 providing an effective date; and declaring an
emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 14-136 of Title 70, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. The State Board of Career and Technology Education, in
24 conjunction with the State Board of Education, shall establish and
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1 maintain a pilot program to provide grants to public school
2 districts to offer career and technology programs to ninth through
3 twelfth grade students.

4 B. A public school district may be eligible to receive a grant
5 pursuant to this section if:

6 1. The public school district can demonstrate that the career
7 and technology program to be offered is not currently available at a
8 technology center school within fifty (50) miles of the school
9 district;

10 2. The public school district can demonstrate with data and
11 research that the career and technology program will meet a
12 workforce need;

13 3. The public school district can demonstrate public support
14 for the career and technology program, including student interest in
15 enrolling in the program; and

16 4. The public school district meets any other requirements
17 established by the State Board of Career and Technology Education
18 and the State Board of Education.

19 C. 1. A public school district seeking to participate in the
20 pilot program shall apply to the State Board of Career and
21 Technology Education for a grant in the manner and on a form
22 prescribed by the Board. Grant applications shall be reviewed and
23 approved or disapproved by the State Board of Career and Technology
24 Education and the State Board of Education.

1 2. The State Board of Career and Technology Education and the
2 State Board of Education shall ensure that pilot program grants are
3 given to a representative sample of Oklahoma school districts, which
4 shall include:

- 5 a. a school district with an average daily membership
6 (ADM) of more than two thousand five hundred (2,500)
7 students but less than ten thousand (10,000) students,
- 8 b. a school district with an ADM of two thousand five
9 hundred (2,500) students or less, and
- 10 c. a school district with an ADM of one thousand (1,000)
11 students or less.

12 D. Subject to the availability of funds, Five Million Dollars
13 (\$5,000,000.00) shall be allocated by the State Board of Career and
14 Technology Education to fund pilot program grants. Grant amounts
15 shall be determined based on the number of approved applicants and
16 the cost of the proposed career and technology program.

17 E. One year after implementation of the pilot program, school
18 districts that receive pilot program grants pursuant to this section
19 shall provide a report to the State Board of Education and the State
20 Board of Career and Technology Education that includes an itemized
21 expenditure list, data on student participation and recommendations,
22 if any, for future program operations.

23 F. The State Board of Education shall review career and
24 technology programs established pursuant to this section to

1 determine if they are eligible for academic credit toward meeting
2 the graduation requirements set forth in Section 11-103.6 of Title
3 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

4 G. The State Board of Career and Technology Education and the
5 State Board of Education shall promulgate rules necessary to
6 implement the provisions of this section.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2020.

8 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
9 of the public peace, health or 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.

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