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Bill Analysis

SB 848 creates the Oklahoma Independent Education Act. It prohibits a school district or public charter school from using or being forced to use private, state, or federal funds to develop, organize, administer, engage in, promote, or endorse any activity that aims to promote or recognize sexual orientation or gender identity. It directs the State Department of Education and the State Board of Education to develop a plan to phase out acceptance and use of funds provided by the federal government and to replace those funds with state funds. It requires the plan to be submitted to the Governor and legislative leaders, and it allows the Legislature to adopt the plan through the passage of legislation. The bill directs the Governor and legislative leaders to form a working group to monitor implementation of the act, and it directs the working group to submit a report of its findings to the Governor and legislative leaders.

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