

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1165

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; requiring certain school
8 districts to obtain and record citizenship status of
9 enrolling students; requiring annual report to the
10 State Department of Education; prescribing report
requirements and exclusions; clarifying construction
of section; providing for codification; providing an
effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 24-162 of Title 70, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. Publicly funded school districts shall obtain proof of
18 United States citizenship or legal immigration status from a parent
19 or legal guardian of a student or emancipated minor at the time of
20 enrollment. Proof of citizenship or legal immigration status may be
21 shown through one of the following:

22 1. An original or certified copy of a United States birth
23 certificate;

24 2. A valid, unexpired United States passport;

- 1 3. A valid Oklahoma driver license;
- 2 4. A valid Oklahoma identification card;
- 3 5. A Certificate of Naturalization;
- 4 6. A Certificate of Citizenship;
- 5 7. Consular Report of Birth Abroad or Certification of Birth
- 6 with a professional English translation;
- 7 8. Unexpired Permanent Resident Card;
- 8 9. Unexpired Employment Authorization Card; or
- 9 10. Valid, unexpired foreign passport with the original United
- 10 States visa entry stamp.

11 B. 1. Each school district shall record the citizenship status
12 of each student enrolled, including students for which a parent or a
13 legal guardian of a student, or the emancipated minor, could not
14 provide proof of citizenship or legal immigration status as outlined
15 in subsection A of this section.

16 2. Each school district shall submit an annual report to the
17 State Department of Education containing the number of enrolled
18 students who:

- 19 a. provided proof of United States citizenship,
- 20 b. provided proof of legal immigration status, and
- 21 c. failed to provide proof of citizenship or legal
- 22 immigration status.

23 3. The annual report shall exclude any personally identifiable
24 information.

1 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit, or
2 inhibit, any child from receiving the education they are entitled to
3 receive under state or federal law.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

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