

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 SENATE BILL NO.602

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to higher education; creating a task
8 force to study and make recommendations regarding
9 two-year colleges; establishing expiration date;
10 providing for membership; providing for naming of
11 chair; requiring appointments by certain date;
12 requiring organizational meeting by certain date;
13 specifying quorum; providing for frequency of
meetings; subjecting meetings to the Oklahoma Open
Meeting Act; prohibiting compensation or travel
reimbursement for members; providing for staff
support; requiring submission of certain report by
certain date; providing for codification; providing
an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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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 4432 of Title 70, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. There is hereby created until July 1, 2020, a task force to
21 study and make recommendations to the Legislature on efficiencies in
22 operating and governing two-year colleges within The Oklahoma State
23 System of Higher Education.
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1 B. The task force shall be comprised of five (5) members to be
2 appointed as follows:

3 1. One member who represents the business community, appointed
4 by the Governor;

5 2. One member who represents a two-year college, appointed by
6 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

7 3. One member who represents a comprehensive university,
8 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

9 4. The Chancellor of Higher Education or a designee; and

10 5. The Secretary of Education or a designee.

11 The chair of the task force shall be the Secretary of Education
12 or his or her designee.

13 C. Appointments to the task force shall be made within thirty
14 (30) days after the effective date of this act. The task force
15 shall conduct an organizational meeting not later than August 31,
16 2019.

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

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

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

1 G. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation or
2 travel reimbursement.

3 H. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall
4 provide staff and administrative support for the task force.

5 I. The task force shall submit a report of its findings and
6 recommendations by July 1, 2020, to the Governor, the President Pro
7 Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
8 Representatives.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

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

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