

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1544

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8 An Act relating to schools; defining terms;
9 prohibiting certain schools from knowingly entering
10 into certain transaction; providing certain
11 exception; providing for promulgation of rules;
12 directing certain governing boards to adopt certain
13 policy; directing the State Board of Education to
14 require certain boards that violate certain
15 provisions to appear before it to make certain
16 determination; providing for codification; providing
17 an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

19 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 24-159 of Title 70, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 A. As used in this section:

23 1. "Abortion" means the term as defined in Section 1-730 of
24 Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

2. "Transaction" means a formal or informal agreement,
contract, or arrangement of any kind between a public school, public
charter school, or public virtual charter school and a private

1 entity, regardless of whether the private entity or the school
2 receives anything of value in return.

3 B. A public school, public charter school, or public virtual
4 charter school shall not enter into a transaction with an individual
5 or entity that performs abortions, induces abortions, or provides
6 abortions unless the entity is a hospital licensed pursuant to
7 Section 1-702 of Title 63 which has enacted a policy to only provide
8 abortions when deemed medically necessary to protect the life of the
9 mother.

10 C. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to
11 implement the provisions of this section.

12 D. Each school district board of education and governing board
13 of a public charter school or public virtual charter school shall
14 adopt a policy for the implementation of the provisions of this
15 section.

16 E. The State Board of Education shall require the board of
17 education of a public school and the governing board of a public
18 charter school or public virtual charter school that knowingly
19 violates the provisions of this section to appear before the Board
20 to determine:

- 21 1. Why the school violated the provisions of this section; and
- 22 2. How to prevent the violation of provisions of this section
- 23 in the future.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

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

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