

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1671

6 By: Pugh

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8 An Act relating to school curriculum; directing the
9 State Department of Education in certain consultation
10 to develop certain curricula and materials related to
11 Holocaust education for students in certain grades;
12 requiring Holocaust education be taught in public
13 schools beginning in certain school year; allowing
14 Holocaust education to be integrated in courses;
15 directing the State Department of Education to
16 develop certain professional learning opportunities;
17 defining term; providing for codification; providing
18 an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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 11-103.6o of Title 70, unless
22 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. The State Department of Education, in consultation with an
24 organization whose mission is to preserve and enhance Jewish life
and wellbeing in this state, shall develop and make available to
public schools curricula, materials, and units related to Holocaust

1 education for grade-appropriate instruction of students in grades
2 six through twelve.

3 B. Beginning in the 2022-2023 school year, Holocaust education
4 shall be taught to students in grades six through twelve in public
5 schools in this state. Holocaust education may be integrated into
6 one or more existing courses of study and shall be taught in a
7 manner that:

8 1. Generates an understanding of the causes, course, and
9 effects of the Holocaust;

10 2. Develops dialogue with students on the ramifications of
11 bullying, bigotry, stereotyping, and discrimination; and

12 3. Encourages tolerance of diversity and reverence for human
13 dignity for all citizens in a pluralistic society.

14 C. The State Department of Education, in consultation with an
15 organization whose mission is to preserve and enhance Jewish life
16 and wellbeing in this state, shall develop and implement high
17 quality professional learning opportunities for Holocaust education
18 teachers.

19 D. As used in this section, "Holocaust" means the systematic,
20 state-sponsored persecution and attempted annihilation of Jews and
21 other groups by the Nazi regime in Germany between 1933 and 1945,
22 which resulted in the murder of approximately six million Jews and
23 five million other individuals.

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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