

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 9, 2024

3 ENGROSSED HOUSE
4 BILL NO. 3727

By: Lowe (Jason), West (Tammy),
and Goodwin of the House

5 and

6 Matthews of the Senate

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9 An Act relating to schools; requiring students in the
10 third through fifth grades to receive instruction in
11 cursive handwriting; providing for competency in
12 reading and legibly writing in cursive by specified
13 time; providing for codification; providing an
14 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-103.16 of Title 70, unless
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, each school district and
20 charter school shall provide instruction in cursive handwriting for
21 students in the third through fifth grades. The instruction shall
22 be designed to enable students to demonstrate competency in reading
23 cursive and legibly writing in cursive by the end of fifth grade.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
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