

SENATE FLOOR VERSION

February 27, 2024

SENATE BILL NO. 1478

By: Thompson (Roger)

An Act relating to school security; amending Section 2, Chapter 281, O.S.L. 2023 (70 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 5-148.2), which relates to the School Security Revolving Fund; subjecting certain annual allocations to certain cap; directing statewide virtual charter schools not be included in certain calculation beginning on certain date; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 281, O.S.L. 2023 (70 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 5-148.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-148.2. A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the State Department of Education to be designated the "School Security Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the State Department of Education from:

1. Reimbursements, grants, or other monies received from other state agencies and entities for school security;

1 2. Reimbursements, grants, or other monies received from the
2 United States government obligated to school security projects;

3 3. Gifts, donations, and bequests; and

4 4. Monies appropriated or apportioned by the Legislature.

5 B. All monies accruing to the credit of the School Security
6 Revolving Fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and
7 expended by the State Department of Education for the purposes of:

8 1. Establishing and maintaining a School Resource Officer
9 Program; and

10 2. Providing physical security enhancements for schools
11 including, but not limited to, school resource officers, cameras,
12 gates, lighting, locks, doors, windows, security geofencing, and
13 ballistic storm shelters.

14 Monies in the School Security Revolving Fund shall supplement and
15 not supplant existing school security funding.

16 C. Expenditures from the School Security Revolving Fund shall
17 be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims
18 filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of
19 Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

20 ~~Expenditures~~ Annual school district allocations from the School
21 Security Revolving Fund shall not exceed Fifty Million Dollars
22 (\$50,000,000.00) in any fiscal year and shall be divided equally
23 among every public school district in the state.

1 D. Beginning July 1, 2024, statewide virtual charter schools
2 shall not be included in the annual allocations provided for in
3 subsection C of this section.

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

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.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
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