

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

HOUSE BILL 3916

By: Caldwell (Chad)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to student transfers; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 8-101.1, which relates to the Education Open Transfer Act; updating statutory citations; adding new section to Act applicability; authorizing students who attend a certain school to transfer to another school within the resident district; requiring district to accept transfer regardless of capacity; prohibiting transfer in certain instances; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 8-101.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 8-101.1 Sections ~~20~~ 8-101.2 through ~~29~~ 8-113, 9-101, 13-101, 13-103, and 18-110 of this ~~act~~ title and Section 2 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the "Education Open Transfer Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8-114 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. Any student who attends a school that is identified in the
2 bottom five percent (5%) of schools in the state, may transfer to
3 another school within his or her resident school district that
4 offers the grade the student is entitled to pursue, regardless of
5 the posted transfer capacity of the school.

6 B. A student forfeits his or her right to a transfer pursuant
7 to this section if the student:

8 1. Is found guilty of the acts and reasons outlined in Section
9 24-101.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes that are described as
10 bases for denial of a transfer under paragraph 1 of subsection B of
11 Section 8-101.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

12 2. Has a history of absences as defined in paragraph 2 of
13 subsection B of Section 8-101.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma
14 Statutes.

15 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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