

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB1280 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Adopted: _____

Amendment submitted by: Chad Caldwell _____

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE
4 SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1280

By: Caldwell (Chad)

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to schools; requiring school district
10 to spend certain percentage of budget on
11 instructional expenditures; mandating annual increase
12 to comply with requirement; providing for written
13 warning notice for failure to comply; directing
14 warning notice be posted on district website;
15 requiring increased compensation for failure to
16 comply for four consecutive years; mandating
17 permanent compensation increase; defining terms;
18 providing for codification; providing an effective
19 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

26 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
27 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-128.3 of Title 70, unless
28 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

29 A. Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, the board of
30 education of each school district in the state shall spend no less
31 than fifty percent (50%) of its annual budget on instructional
32 expenditures.

1 B. If a school district spends less than fifty percent (50%) of
2 its annual budget on instructional expenditures, it shall increase
3 its instructional expenditures by no less than two percent (2%) each
4 year until the amount spent on instructional expenditures reaches
5 fifty percent (50%) of its annual budget.

6 C. If a school district spends less than fifty percent (50%) of
7 its annual budget on instructional expenditures and does not
8 increase its spending as provided in subsection B of this section,
9 the school district shall receive a written warning notice from the
10 State Department of Education. The notice shall also be posted on
11 the website of the school district.

12 D. If a school district spends less than fifty percent (50%) of
13 its annual budget on instructional expenditures and does not
14 increase its spending as provided in subsection B of this section
15 for four (4) consecutive years after receiving the notice provided
16 in subsection C of this section, the school district shall increase
17 compensation for all teachers in the school district by two percent
18 (2%) for each year in that period in which the school district did
19 not increase instructional expenditures by a minimum of two percent
20 (2%). The pay increase required pursuant to this subsection shall
21 be permanent.

22 E. As used in this section:

23 1. "Annual budget" means a plan of financial operations using
24 revenues contributed from local, state, and federal sources but

1 shall not include revenue received from bond sales, the sale of
2 property or equipment, school fundraisers, or nonprofit organization
3 contributions or grants; and

4 2. "Instructional expenditures" means instruction expenditures
5 as defined by the National Center for Education Statistics, a
6 federal entity within the United States Department of Education.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

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

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