

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB1621 _____
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: Rob Hall

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 PROPOSED OVERSIGHT
4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1621

By: Hall and Tedford

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9 PROPOSED OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to public finance; enacting the State
11 Department of Education Spending Transparency Act;
12 defining terms; requiring Internet-based portal;
13 prescribing required content related to expenditures
14 by state government; imposing duties on governmental
15 entities; authorizing the Office of Management and
16 Enterprise Services to include certain information;
17 providing for annual agreements; prohibiting release
18 of confidential information; requiring standards for
19 reporting; providing for administrative rules;
20 prescribing requirements for website displays;
21 providing for codification; and providing an
22 effective date.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8201 of Title 62, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "State
2 Department of Education Spending Transparency Act".

3 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8202 of Title 62, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 This act will empower taxpayers with better information about
7 how their state spends taxpayer funds. The purpose of this act is
8 to ensure that the public can act on information about where
9 education taxpayer funds are spent in order to ensure that
10 government is as efficient and effective as possible.

11 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8203 of Title 62, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 As used in this act, "Submitting Party" means the State
15 Department of Education.

16 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8204 of Title 62, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 No later than the effective date of this act, the Office of
20 Management and Enterprise Services shall utilize an existing
21 Internet-based portal freely available to the public which details
22 information about expenditures made by the Submitting Party in each
23 fiscal year that commences after the effective date of this section.
24 The features of the database shall include at least:

1 1. A detailed ledger of all expenditures made in a fiscal year
2 by the Submitting Party, including, for each:

- 3 a. the amount of the expenditure,
- 4 b. the date the expenditure was paid,
- 5 c. the name of the individual or entity to which the
6 expenditure was paid, and
- 7 d. if the expenditure is a payment to an employee, the
8 employee's job title or other information that
9 identifies their role within the organization.

10 2. The ability to search or browse all individual expenditures
11 in each fiscal year;

12 3. The ability to aggregate data and where appropriate, through
13 interactive software, generate totals, averages, and other summary
14 statistics broken down by year, Submitting Party, spending
15 categories described in paragraph 1 of this section and other
16 criteria that may be useful to the public;

17 4. The ability to easily download all or a subset of
18 expenditure data in a format that is widely usable and useful to
19 members of the public; and

20 5. The ability to browse and search anonymized annual salary
21 and benefit information for all employees of the Submitting Party.

22 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8205 of Title 62, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. The Submitting Party shall assist in the development,
2 establishment, operation, storage, hosting, and support of the
3 database. The Submitting Party shall submit data to the Office of
4 Management and Enterprise Services in a manner and on a schedule
5 prescribed by the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

6 B. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the
7 Office of Management and Enterprise Services from including any
8 information in the database that is not required to be included
9 under this section and that is available to the public.

10 C. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall enter
11 into an annual agreement with other appropriate agencies to define
12 data storage, privacy and security, data handling, user interface
13 requirements, and other provisions considered necessary to ensure
14 the proper maintenance and operation of the database.

15 D. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall
16 ensure that the database does not include any confidential
17 information, information that is not eligible for release under the
18 Oklahoma Open Records Act, or the names, Social Security numbers, or
19 any other personally identifiable information about employees of
20 Submitting Parties or other individuals.

21 E. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall, on
22 an ongoing basis, develop standardized reporting procedures and
23 methodologies and may develop secure application programming
24 interfaces so that data can be reported with minimal administrative

1 | burden on the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, the
2 | Submitting Party, and others.

3 | SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 | in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8206 of Title 62, unless there
5 | is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 | The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall
7 | promulgate all necessary rules for the administration of this act
8 | within the time prescribed for permanent rule adoption as provided
9 | by law.

10 | SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 | in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 8207 of Title 62, unless there
12 | is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 | The database shall be hosted and featured prominently on a
14 | website owned or controlled by the Office of Management and
15 | Enterprise Services for purposes of allowing the display of
16 | information required by this act. The Submitting Party shall
17 | display on its website a prominent Internet link to a page within
18 | the database that displays a summary of the expenditures from the
19 | Submitting Party in the most recent fiscal year.

20 | SECTION 8. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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