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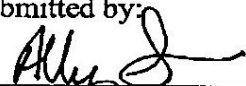■ <u>FLOOR AMENDMENT</u>   No. __1__   _____
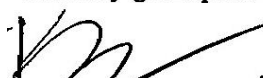
☐ <u>COMMITTEE AMENDMENT</u>   _____

(Date)

I move to amend Senate Bill No. 224, by substituting the attached floor substitute (Request #1853) for the title, enacting clause, and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:

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Senator Seifried

I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.
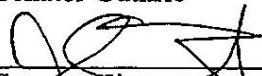
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Senator Thompson, Chair (required)

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Senator Paxton, President Pro Tempore

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Senator Guthrie

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Senator Kirt

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Senator Woods

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Senator Daniels, Majority Floor Leader

Note: Economic Development, Workforce and Tourism committee majority requires five (5) members' signatures.

I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.

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Senator Hall
Appropriations Committee Chair

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☐ Untimely   ☐ Amendment Cycle Extended   ☐ Secondary Amendment

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 224   By: Seifried of the Senate

                                        and

                                   Caldwell (Chad) of the
                                   House

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

[legislative intent - data system - duties -
Governance Council - committees - data-sharing
agreement - grants and funding - promulgation of
rules – noncodification - codification - effective
date –
                                   emergency]

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

SECTION 1.   NEW LAW   A new section of law not to be

codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure educational

excellence in this state by making informed decisions in support of

students in this state, their education, and the future

contributions they will make to the workforce.

B. The Legislature finds that a responsible government ensures

that taxpayer dollars are expended in the manner directed by the

Legislature and are providing a return on investment for Oklahoma's future.

C. To protect the hard-earned dollars of taxpayers in this state, the Legislature must be able to comprehensively evaluate student and workforce data to make decisions and reforms where necessary while safeguarding the confidential information of Oklahomans.

SECTION 2.   NEW LAW   A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-180 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Education and Workforce Efficiency Data System (EDS) as a secure system for the de-identification, exchange, and matching of education and workforce data among approved entities. The purpose of the EDS shall be to provide state agencies, legislators, and other approved users with access to de-identified data on early childhood education, elementary and secondary education, workforce training, and employment outcomes to improve education and workforce outcomes and increase the return on investment for taxpayer funds.

B. The EDS shall have the ability to:

1. Access, ingest, integrate, and transform a variety of data types to and from the Oklahoma Workforce Commission, the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, the State Department of Education, the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission (OESC),

the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the Regional

University System of Oklahoma (RUSO), the Office of Educational

Quality and Accountability (OEQA), and any other agency that

collects critical employment or education data;

2. Be designed to allow additional agencies to integrate their

data in the future;

3. Implement identity management capabilities to create unique

identifiers to restrict personally identifiable information while

linking early childhood education, elementary and secondary

education, postsecondary education, and workforce data;

4. Enable data governance, auditing, and tracking of data edits

and changes by authorized users;

5. Support advanced analytics capabilities including, but not

limited to, artificial intelligence, machine learning, forecasting,

and data mining, as well as the use of business intelligence tools

such as data visualization and dashboards; and

6. Ensure compliance with the Family Educational Rights and

Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), the Student Data Accessibility,

Transparency and Accountability Act of 2013, and other applicable

privacy laws.

C. The EDS shall not:

1. Serve the same purpose as the state student identification

system required by subsection E of Section 18-200.1 of Title 70 of

the Oklahoma Statutes;

1   2. Directly report data to federal agencies; provided, however,

2   state agencies participating in the EDS may use matched data from

3   the EDS to fulfill federally mandated reporting requirements

4   including, but not limited to, compliance with the Workforce

5   Innovation and Opportunity Act, the Carl D. Perkins Career and

6   Technical Education Act of 2006 as reauthorized by the Strengthening

7   Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act, the

8   Workforce Data Quality Initiative, and other workforce- and

9   education-related federal grant programs. Any data used for such

10 purposes shall be de-identified or aggregated before submission,

11 unless federal law explicitly requires otherwise; or

12   3. Collect personal data including, but not limited to, the

13 religion of an individual and his or her parent or legal guardian;

14 the political affiliation of an individual and his or her parent or

15 legal guardian; the health insurance status of an individual and his

16 or her parent or legal guardian; and medical information relating to

17 an individual and his or her parent or legal guardian.

18   D. The EDS shall provide controlled access to approved external

19 partners including researchers or vendors, ensuring compliance with

20 privacy protections. Data access shall be granted through a formal

21 data-sharing agreement submitted to the Efficiency Data System

22 Governance Council created pursuant to Section 3 of this act, with

23 guidelines on usage and restrictions to safeguard personally

24 identifiable information.

1   SECTION 3.   NEW LAW   A new section of law to be codified

2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-181 of Title 70, unless there

3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4   A.   There is hereby created the Efficiency Data System

5 Governance Council to oversee the development, implementation, and

6 operation of the Oklahoma Education and Workforce Efficiency Data

7 System (EDS) created pursuant to Section 2 of this act. The Council

8 may create committees, as needed, to delegate and carry out its

9 duties.

10   B.   The Council shall be comprised of nine (9) voting members as

11 follows:

12   1.   The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Workforce Commission,

13 or his or her designee;

14   2.   The Chancellor of Higher Education, or his or her designee;

15   3.   The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and

16 Technology Education, or his or her designee;

17   4.   The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or his or her

18 designee;

19   5.   The Executive Director of the Oklahoma Employment Security

20 Commission, or his or her designee;

21   6.   The Executive Director of the Office of Educational Quality

22 and Accountability, or his or her designee;

23   7.   The Chief Executive Officer of the Regional University

24 System of Oklahoma (RUSO), or his or her designee;

8. One data privacy and security expert who is familiar with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996, and national privacy standards, appointed by the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability; and

9. One member of the public with expertise in workforce or education policy, data analysis, or government efficiency, appointed by the Governor.

C. The Efficiency Data System Governance Council may include non-voting members from additional state agencies, institutions of higher education, or stakeholder groups as needed to provide subject-matter expertise.

D. The Efficiency Data System Governance Council shall:

1. Oversee all aspects of data governance including approving data access policies, privacy standards, and data-sharing agreements;

2. Identify and prioritize critical data elements and datasets for initial integration in the system by June 30, 2026;

3. Outline a process to approve and onboard new agencies to the EDS;

4. Select a vendor for the development and maintenance of the EDS, ensuring the vendor meets the system requirements and technical specifications approved by the Efficiency Data System Governance Council by June 30, 2026. Funding and procurement responsibilities

shall be assigned to the Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability, with the EDS housed within the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability;

5. Electronically submit an annual progress report to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives summarizing the progress of the EDS, completed milestones, next steps, challenges, and recommendations for improvements. The first report shall be submitted by June 30, 2026; and

6. Ensure the EDS is operational and includes critical datasets no later than June 30, 2027.

E. By June 30, 2026, each agency participating in the EDS shall enter into a data-sharing agreement with the Efficiency Data System Governance Council. The agreement shall include:

1. Data-sharing protocols;

2. Data elements shared;

3. Data elements requested;

4. Roles and responsibilities for the participating agency and the Council; and

5. Privacy and security standards.

F. The EDS shall be funded through:

1. State appropriations provided to the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability for the specific purpose of procuring and maintaining the EDS;

1   2.   Federal grants including, but not limited to, funding

2   opportunities from the Workforce Data Quality Initiative or other

3   federal programs;

4   3.   Cost-sharing agreements or user fees approved by the

5   Efficiency Data System Governance Council; and

6   4.   Public or private sources, provided such funds are

7   consistent with the purpose and goal of the EDS.

8   G.   The Commission for Educational Quality and Accountability

9   may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this act.

10   SECTION 4.   This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

11   SECTION 5.   It being immediately necessary for the preservation

12   of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby

13   declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and

14   be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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