

OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Memo

To: Chancellor's Council
From: Chancellor Glen D. Johnson
Date: Friday, May 11, 2018
Subject: Legislative Update – May 11, 2018

The update below reflects the current status of major legislation concerning Higher Education during the week of May 7, 2018 – May 11, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact LeeAnna McNally at lmcnally@osrhe.edu or (405) 225-9424.

Legislative Report May 11, 2018

Appropriations

Senate Bill 1600 (Senator Kim David and Representative Kevin Wallace) Appropriates \$776,707,167 to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, which includes \$7.5 million for concurrent enrollment. Total FY19 appropriations is \$7,545,075,719, which represents a 10.92% increase from FY18 special session GA bill.

UPDATE: Passed out of Senate JCAB 27-7. Passed out of House JCAB 18-6 Tuesday April, 24 Passed off the Senate Floor 36-8 on Wednesday, April 25. Passed off House Floor 63-31 on Friday, April 27. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, April 30.

Senate Bill 1607 (Senator Kim David and Representative Kevin Wallace) From the funds appropriated to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the sum of \$140,742 shall be transferred to the Seminole State College Rural Business and Resources Center.

UPDATE: Passed out of House Joint Committee on Appropriations and Budget 20-0 on Friday, April 27. Passed House Floor 64-11 on Thursday, May 3. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 10.

Agency Administration

House Bill 2911 (Representative Mickey Dollens and Representative Leslie Osborn and Adam Pugh) Creates the Work-based Learning Program coordinated by the Governor's Council on Workforce and Economic Development to increase the number of registered apprenticeships and internship programs in the state to an aggregate of 20,000 by the end of 2020. Requires participating partners (State Department of Education, State Department of Career and Technology Education, and the State Regents for Higher Education) to provide time and expertise and to assist publishing an annual progress report showing each state agency's steps and accomplishments toward meeting statewide workforce goals.

UPDATE: Referred to House Banking and Business Committee. Passed House Banking and Business Committee 19-0 on Tuesday, February 20. Representative Leslie Osborn added as co-author. Passed House Floor 79-12 on Monday, March 12. Passed Senate Education Committee 12-0 on Monday, March 26. Passed Senate Floor 41-0 on Wednesday, April 11. Signed by Governor Fallin on Wednesday, April 18.

Senate Bill 925 (Senator Roger Thompson and Representative Mike Osburn) Raises the requirement for an agency cost analysis report when privatizing a function from \$100,000 to \$1 million. Changes the privatization process.

UPDATE: Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee. Passed Senate Appropriations 37-0 Wednesday, February 28. Representative Mike Osburn added as House author. Passed Senate Floor 44-0 on Wednesday, March 7. Passed House Government Modernization Committee 9-0 on Wednesday, April 11. Passed House Floor 68-22 on Tuesday, April 17. Passed Senate Floor 43-0 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, May 7.

Senate Bill 1581 (Senator Kay Floyd and Representative Leslie Osborn) Establishes paid parental leave.

UPDATE: Passed Retirement and Insurance 6-1 Wednesday, February 28. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 31-0 on Thursday, March 1. Passed Senate Floor 35-0 on Thursday, March 15. Referred to House Appropriations and Budget Committee. Passed House Appropriations and Budget Committee 25-0 on Tuesday, April 17. Title stricken. Passed House Floor 92-0 on Tuesday, April 24. House amendments adopted. Passed Senate Floor 38-0 on Thursday, April 26. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 3.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 16 (Senator Nathan Dahm and Representative Travis Dunlap): Requires OSRHE to submit a list of all employees, courses, hours taught and tenure policy to the legislature.

UPDATE: Passed out of the Senate Education Committee 11-3 on Monday, February 12. Representative Travis Dunlap added as House author. Adopted on Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Benefits for State Employees – Health & Retirement

House Bill 1340 (Representative Randy McDaniel and Senator Greg Treat) Puts out a one-time distribution of \$1,000 to retired Oklahoma firefighters, police, justices and judges, Law enforcement, Teachers and public employees; requires all further distributions other than those defined by the provisions of respective retirement plans to be authorized by the legislature; makes all further such distributions be made no more frequently than once every 6 years.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Banking and Business Committee 17-0 on Tuesday, February 13. Senator Greg Treat added as Senate author. Passed House Floor 90-5 on Monday, March 12. Passed Senate Retirement and Insurance Committee 6-1 on Monday, April 9. Co-authored by Senator Stephanie Bice. Passed Senate Floor 33-3 on Tuesday, April 24. Senate amendments received. Passed House Floor 93-0 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, May 8.

House Bill 2523 (Representative Randy McDaniel and Senator Julie Daniels) Changes state unemployment benefits. Specifically mentions educational service contract employees and modifies when they can enroll in unemployment benefits.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Banking and Business Committee 16-0 on Tuesday, February 13. Passed off House Floor 89-0 on Thursday, March 1. First reading in Senate on Monday, March 5, 2018. Passed Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism 11-0 on Thursday, March 29. Passed Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism 11-0. Passed Senate Floor 42-0 on Tuesday, April 4. Signed by Governor Fallin on Wednesday, April 11.

House Bill 2553 (Representative Randy McDaniel and Senator Adam Pugh) Allows OTRS to terminate the Tax Sheltered Annuity Program.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Banking and Business Committee 16-0 on Tuesday, February 13. Passed House Floor 83-0 on Tuesday, March 6. Referred to Senate Retirement and Insurance Committee. Passed Senate Retirement and Insurance 8-0. Passed off the Senate floor 43-0 on Thursday, March 5. Senate amendments received. Passed as amended off House Floor 81-4 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, May 8.

Senate Bill 527 (Senator Gary Stanislawski and Representative Randy McDaniel) Changes maximum employer and employee pension contributions to 17% from July 2017 on.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Banking and Business Committee 14-0 on Tuesday, February 13. Title restored. Passed House Floor 90-0 on Wednesday, March 7. House Amendments adopted. Passed Senate floor 42-0 on Tuesday, April 10. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, April 17.

Budget

House Bill 1401 (Representative John Montgomery and Senator John Sparks) Creates the Oklahoma Legacy Fund and puts 20% of GPT collection into that

fund. Also transfers money from Higher Education Capitol Revolving fund into the Higher Education Legacy fund.

UPDATE: Passed House Floor 65-22 on Thursday, March 22. Passed Senate Floor 43-0 Wednesday, April 18. Senate amendments rejected. Title restored in General Conference Committee on Appropriations. Passed House Floor 55-0 Thursday, May 3. Passed Senate 41-0 on Thursday, May 3. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration.

Senate Bill 1059 (Senator Marty Quinn and Senator Stephanie Bice) Updates Ad Valorem tax code.

UPDATE: Referred to Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance. Passed the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance 11-0 on Tuesday, February 20. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 40-0 on Wednesday, February 28. Title stricken. Passed Senate Floor 32-7 on Thursday, March 15. Referred to House Appropriations and Budget Committee. Passed House Appropriations and Budget Committee 22-2 on Wednesday, April 4. Passed off House Floor 69-15 on Wednesday, April 18. Passed off Senate Floor 42-0 on Wednesday, May 2. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, May 8.

Senate Joint Resolution 35 (Senator John Sparks and Speaker Charles

McCall) Refers to a vote of the people for their approval or rejection the creation of the Revenue Replacement Endowment Fund to support the operation of state government. The fund would consist of annual deposits of at least five percent of the total collections of the gross production tax. The question would also create the Revenue Replacement Revolving Fund consisting of deposits from the endowment fund.

UPDATE: Passed Senate Floor 43-0 on Wednesday, May 2. Passed House Floor 81-0 on Thursday, May 3. Filed with Secretary of State.

Career Tech

House Bill 3220 (Representative Jadine Nollan and Senator Jason

Smalley) Authorizes the State Board of Career and Technology Education to develop certification system for teachers and instructors who teach in technology center school districts.

UPDATE: Passed House Higher Ed and CareerTech Committee 9-1 on Wednesday, February 28. Senator Jason Smalley added as Senate author. Passed House Floor 86-3 on Monday, March 12. Passed Senate Education Committee 11-0 on Wednesday, April 11. Enacting clause stricken. Passed off Senate Floor 42-0 on Wednesday, April 18. Senate amendments received. Passed off House Floor 89-0 on Thursday, May 3. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 10.

Public Safety/Campus Safety/Weapons

House Bill 2527 (Representative Bobby Cleveland and Senator Rob Standridge) Allows county employees in a courthouse to conceal carry.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Public Safety Committee 11-4 on Wednesday, February 14. Senator Rob Standridge added as Senate author. Passed House Floor 72-13 on Tuesday, March 13. Passed Senate Public Safety Committee 6-0 on Thursday, April 12. Passed Senate Floor 34-5 on Tuesday, April 24. Passed off House Floor 79-12 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, May 8.

House Bill 2632 (Representative Greg Babinec and Senator Micheal Bergstrom) Adds “places of worship” to places where citizens have a right to use defensive force.

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Judiciary Committee 13-6 on Wednesday, February 14. Coauthored by Representative(s) Mike Ritze, John Michael Montgomery, Justin Humphrey, and Sean Roberts. Passed House Floor 62-21 on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. Passed Senate Public Safety Committee 12-0. Passed off the Senate Floor 42-1 on Thursday, April 12. Senate amendments received. Passed off House Floor 68-24 on Monday, April 30. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, May 7.

House Bill 3353 (Representative Sean Roberts and Senator Nathan Dahm) allows a person in possession of a valid handgun license or who meets the criteria and presents a valid military identification card to carry a handgun while scouting

UPDATE: Passed House General Oversight and Accountability Committee 6-1 on Thursday, March 1. Passed House Floor 56-11 on Thursday, March 15. Coauthored by Representative Kyle Hilbert. Passed Senate Public Safety Committee 10-0 on Thursday, March 5. Passed off Senate Floor 38-0 on Monday, April 16. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, April 23.

Senate Bill 1212 (Senator Nathan Dahm and Representative Sean Roberts) Amends statute to include wildlife refuges and management areas as place handgun permit holders can specifically carry their gun without restrictions.

UPDATE: Passed out of the Senate Public Safety Committee 11-0 on Thursday, February 15. Passed Senate Floor 44-0 on Tuesday, March 6. Passed House General Government Oversight and Accountability Committee on Thursday, April 12. Passed House Floor 59-28 on Monday, April 23. House amendments read. Passed off Senate Floor 33-9 on Wednesday, May 2. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration.

Flagged As Possible Carryover Bills from Last Session

House Bill 1608 (Representative John Enns and Senator Anthony Sykes) Changes to allow off-duty police officers to carry a concealed firearm. Places requirement on type of weapon.

UPDATE: Passed House Rules Committee 8-0 on Wednesday, February 28, 2018. Passed House Floor 82-0 on Wednesday, March 14. Passed Senate Public Safety Committee 10-0 on Thursday, April 12. Passed Senate Floor 41-0 on Thursday, April 26. Out of conference. Title restored. Passed House Floor 64-1 on Wednesday, May 2. Passed Senate Floor 44-0 on Wednesday, May 2. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration.

Common Education

Senate Joint Resolution 70 (Senator Stephanie Bice and Representative Elise Hall) Directs to a vote of the people a proposed amendment to the constitution. Expands uses allowed by school districts for ad valorem taxes.

UPDATE: Passed Senate Rules Committee 4-3 on Wednesday, February 28. Title stricken. Passed Senate Floor 34-8 on Thursday, March 8. Referred to House Rules committee. Passed House Rules Committee 7-2 on Thursday, April 12. Title restored. Passed House Floor 57-34 on Tuesday, April 24. House amendments read. Passed Senate Floor 28-15 on Wednesday, April 2. Filed with Secretary of State.

Senate Bill 1150 (Senator A.J. Griffin and Representative Todd Russ) Representative Todd Ross's conference committee substitute makes this a bill that forces regular elections of unionized representation for teachers and removes union's ability to deduct association dues.

UPDATE: Passed House Floor 80-0 on Wednesday, April 25. Passed Senate Floor 42-0 on Thursday, May 3. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration.

Senate Bill 1197 (Senator Gary Stanislawski and Representative Jadine Nollan) Modifies performance level labels in the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act.

UPDATE: Referred to Senate Education Committee. Passed Senate Education 10-1 on Monday, February 19. Emergency and Title stricken. Representative Jadine Nollan added as House author. Passed Senate Floor 34-10 on Wednesday, March 7. Title and emergency restored. Passed House Common Education Committee 12-2 on Monday, March 26. Passed off House Floor 51-32 on Thursday, April 26. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 3.

Senate Bill 1370 (Senator Jason Smalley and Representative Kyle Hilbert) Allows schools to teach career-ready courses in lieu of college preparatory work as identified in a student's ICAP.

UPDATE: Referred to Senate Education Committee. Passed Senate Education Committee 12-0 on Monday, February 26. Title and emergency stricken. Representative Kyle Hilbert added as House author. Passed Senate Floor 37-0 on Tuesday, March 13. Passed House Common Education Committee 12-0 on Monday, April 16. Title restored. Emergency added. Passed off House Floor 70-0 on Thursday, April 26. Passed Senate Floor 45-0 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, May 7.

Concurrent Enrollment

Senate Bill 1196 (Senator Gary Stanislawski and Representative Jadine Nollan) Allows students eligible for certain enrollment to participate in a program offered by any institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

UPDATE: Referred to Senate Education Committee. Passed Senate Education 11-0 on Monday, February 19. Representative Jadine Nollan added as House author. Passed Senate Floor 43-1 on Wednesday, March 14. Title stricken. Passed House Higher Education and CareerTech Committee 8-0 on Wednesday, April 11. Title restored and emergency added. Passed off House Floor 80-5 on Thursday, April 26. Passed off Senate Floor as amended 4401 on Monday, April 30. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, May 7.

Occupational Licensing

Senate Bill 1074 (Senator Greg McCortney and Representative Josh West) Revises the process for becoming a licensed speech-language pathologist and audiologist.

UPDATE: Passed out of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee 11-0 on Monday, February 12. Emergency clause added. Passed Senate Floor 43-1 on Monday, March 5. Representative Josh West added as House author. First reading in the House on Tuesday, March 6. Passed House Public Health Committee 5-0 on Tuesday, April 3. Passed off House Floor 89-0 on Thursday, April 26. Passed of Senate Floor 39-0 on Tuesday, April 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, May 7.

Senate Bill 1141 (Senator JJ Dossett and Representative Chris Kannady) Requires all licensing and certification authorities to implement rules to recognize appropriate military training.

UPDATE: Passed out of the Senate Veterans and Military Affairs Committee 6-0 on Thursday, February 15. Passed Senate Floor 44-0 on Wednesday, March 7. Referred to Veterans and Military Affairs. Passed House Veterans and Military Affairs Committee 5-0 on Tuesday, April 10. Passed House Floor 87-0 on Tuesday, April 17. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, April 24.

Oklahoma's Promise

House Bill 3592 (Speaker Charles McCall and Senator Jason Smalley) If a student withdraws from a class in which he or she has received an award from the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program, the awarded funds shall remain available for the student to use to enroll in classes for a five-year period.

UPDATE: Referred to House Appropriations and Budget Committee. Passed House Appropriations and Budget Committee 18-7 on Monday, February 26. Title stricken. Passed House Floor 58-25 on Tuesday, March 13. Referred to Senate Education Committee then to Senate Appropriations Committee. Passed Senate Education Committee 13-0 on Monday, April 2. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 31-0 on Wednesday, April 11. Passed of Senate Floor 43-0 on Wednesday, April 18. Passed House Floor 68-22 on Thursday, May 3. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 10.

Teacher Education

House Bill 3309 (Representative Rhonda Baker and Senator Stephanie Bice) Changes name of resident teacher program and directs funds to “induction” program differently.

UPDATE: Referred to House Common Education Committee. Passed House Common Education Committee 15-0 on Monday, February 26. Passed House Floor 80-2 on Wednesday, March 14. Passed Senate Education Committee 10-1 on Monday, April 9. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 28-4 on Wednesday, April 11. Title stricken. Passed Senate Floor 40-0 on Wednesday, April 25. Signed by Governor Fallin on Wednesday, May 2.

University & Medical School Policy

House Bill 2882 (Representative Josh West and Senator Jason Smalley) Allows CareerTech/Higher Ed institutions to create a CLEET program .

UPDATE: Passed out of the House Public Safety Committee 15-0 on Wednesday, February 14. Passed House Floor 72-14 on Tuesday February 27. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 26-8 on Wednesday, April 11. Title stricken. Passed Senate Floor 39-1 on Thursday, April 26. Passed House Floor 88-0 on Tuesday, May 1. Signed by Governor Fallin on Tuesday, May 8.

House Bill 2913 (Representative Mickey Dollens and Senator Lonnie Paxton) Creates the Oklahoma Industrial Hemp Agricultural Pilot Program, which allows universities or farmers contracting with universities to cultivate certified hemp seed for research and development for industrial uses,

UPDATE: Passed off house floor 92-0 March 5, 2018. Referred to Senate Agriculture and Wildlife Committee. Passed Senate Agriculture and Wildlife Committee 7-1 on Tuesday March, 27. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 34-1 on Wednesday, April 4. Title and emergency stricken. Passed off the Senate Floor 39-1 on Monday, April 16. Sent to Governor Fallin for consideration. Signed by Governor Fallin on Monday, April 23.

House Bill 2987 (Representative Marcus McEntire and Senator Ervin Yen) Allows physician assistants to be eligible for the Oklahoma Medical Loan Repayment Program.

UPDATE: Referred to House Health Services and Long-Term Care Committee. Passed out of House Health Services and Long-Term Care Committee 8-0 on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. Passed House Floor 73-10 on Tuesday, March 6. Passed Senate Health and Human Services 10-0 on Monday, March 26. Passed Senate Appropriations Committee 26-9 on Wednesday, April 4. Passed off Senate Floor 39-3 on Thursday, April 12. Senate amendments received. Conference granted. Referred to General Conference Committee on Appropriations. Out of conference. Title restored. Passed House Floor 65-9 on Wednesday, May 2. Passed Senate Floor 40-3 on Thursday, April 3. Signed by Governor Fallin on Thursday, May 10.

Thank you.

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