An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2160

By: Nelson of the House

and

Jolley of the Senate

An Act relating to schools; requiring the award of court costs and attorney fees to prevailing students or parents in an action filed by a school district; allowing the inclusion of expert witness fees; and providing for codification.

SUBJECT: Actions filed by school districts

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-149 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

If a school district board of education initiates any civil action or proceeding against a current or former student enrolled in the school district or the parent or guardian of a student, and the current or former student or parent or guardian of the student is the prevailing party in the action or proceeding, the court shall enter an order awarding court costs and reasonable attorney fees to the current or former student or parent or guardian of the student. Expert witness fees may be included by the court as part of the costs awarded under this section.

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of March, 2013.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 23rd day of April, 2013.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 24th
day of April, 20 13, at 5:29 o'clock P M.
By: Audrey Rockwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 29th
day of April, 20 13, at 4:32 o'clock P M.

Mary Fallin
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 29th
day of April, 20 13, at 5:30 o'clock P. M.
By: Amy V. Parman