An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 162

By: Halligan, Mazzei, and Pittman of the Senate

and

Denney, McCullough, Johnson, McDaniel (Jeannie) and Sherrer of the House

An Act relating to testing; directing the State Board of Education, in certain consultation, to promulgate rules providing testing exemptions for certain students; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: School testing procedures

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 1210.508-3 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The State Board of Education, in consultation with experts in the education and assessment of students with the most significant cognitive disabilities (MSCD), shall promulgate rules providing for exemptions from the mandated tests administered pursuant to the Oklahoma School Testing Program Act for students with MSCD on an individualized education program (IEP) that directs that the student is to be assessed with alternate achievement standards through the Oklahoma Alternate Assessment Program (OAAP) who otherwise demonstrates satisfactory knowledge in that subject.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

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

Passed the Senate the 10th day of March, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 21st day of April, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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