An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2535

By: Montgomery of the House

and

Smalley and Loveless of the Senate

An Act relating to schools; creating certain act; authorizing governing body of certain schools to enter into certain agreement; permitting governing body to adopt certain policies; requiring State Department of Education to promulgate certain rules; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Apprenticeships, Internships and Mentorships

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 1210.528 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Apprenticeships, Internships and Mentorships (AIM) Act of 2016".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1210.528-1 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the governing body of each public, private, magnet, charter or virtual charter school in this state (the school) is authorized to enter into an agreement with private or public organizations for the purpose of creating apprenticeship, internship and mentorship programs. Apprenticeships, internships and mentorships may be available to

high school juniors and seniors as permitted by each school. The apprenticeship, internship or mentorship may fill the requirement of elective courses as the student's schedule permits. A student may not use the apprenticeship, internship or mentorship to replace any other state education requirement.

B. The governing body of each school shall have the authority to adopt policies regarding the creation of apprenticeships, internships and mentorships that include the registration and qualifications for private or public organizations to participate in the apprenticeship, internship or mentorship program.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1210.528-2 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The State Department of Education shall promulgate rules to carry out the provisions of the Apprenticeships, Internships and Mentorships (AIM) Act of 2016.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

Passed the House of Representatives the 28th day of April, 2016.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 5th day of April, 2016.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 2nd

day of May, 2016, at 3:40 o'clock P M.

By: Audrey Rockwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 5th

day of May, 2016, at 2:55 o'clock P M.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 5th

day of May, 2016, at 3:38 o'clock P. M.

By: Chris Benge