

1                           **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2                           March 5, 2025

3                           **AS AMENDED**

4                           SENATE BILL NO. 245

5                           By: Deever of the Senate

6                           and

7                           Hasenbeck of the House

8                           [ State Department of Education - Tutoring Program -  
9                           bonus amounts - probation - eligibility -  
10                          promulgation of rules - fund - codification -  
11                          effective date -

12                          **emergency ]**

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

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

15                          in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-180 of Title 70, unless there  
16                          is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17                          A. The State Department of Education shall establish and

18                          maintain the Oklahoma High Dosage Tutoring Program.

19                          B. For the purposes of this section, "cohort" means a student

20                          or group of students of no more than four (4) who receive subject-  
21                          specific high dosage tutoring in mathematics or reading in at least  
22                          three thirty-minute sessions each school week throughout a semester  
23                          by an individual employed or contracted as a high dosage tutor by a  
24                          public school district participating in the program.

1       C. High dosage tutors employed or contracted by public school  
2 districts participating in the Oklahoma High Dosage Tutoring Program  
3 shall be awarded bonuses in the following amounts:

4           1. One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00) for each cohort  
5 educated by a high dosage tutor per semester; and

6           2. One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each academic grade  
7 level increase in English language arts or mathematics that each  
8 student within a cohort experiences within one academic year.

9       D. If a high dosage tutor fails to achieve one-half grade level  
10 of growth in students within a cohort within the first year of  
11 participating in the program, he or she shall have one year of  
12 probation as a participant in the program. If the high dosage tutor  
13 fails to achieve one-half grade level of growth within a cohort  
14 while on probation, he or she shall lose eligibility to participate  
15 in the program.

16       E. The State Board of Education may promulgate rules to  
17 implement the provisions of this section.

18       SECTION 2.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-180.1 of Title 70, unless  
20 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21           There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund  
22 for the State Department of Education to be designated the "High  
23 Dosage Tutoring Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing  
24 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of

1 all monies received by the State Department of Education from gifts,  
2 grants, donations, bequests, federal funds provided for the purpose  
3 of funding high dosage tutoring, or state appropriations provided  
4 for the purpose of implementing the provisions of Section 1 of this  
5 act. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby  
6 appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the State  
7 Department of Education for the purpose provided for in this  
8 section. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants  
9 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by  
10 law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise  
11 Services for approval and payment.

12 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

13 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
14 of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby  
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
16 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
March 5, 2025 - DO PASS

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