

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

SENATE BILL 63

By: Goodwin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to school district boards of education; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-118, which relates to board of education meetings; increasing stipend amount for certain board of education members; updating statutory language; updating statutory reference; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-118, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-118. Regular meetings of the board of education of each school district shall be held upon the first Monday of each month, or upon such day as may be fixed by the board. Special meetings may be held from time to time as circumstances may demand.

All meetings of the boards of education shall be public meetings, and in all such meetings the vote of each member ~~must~~ shall be publicly cast and recorded. Executive sessions ~~will~~ shall be permitted only for the purpose of discussing the employment,

1 hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or
2 resignations of any or all of the employees or volunteers of the
3 school district, ~~and~~ for the purpose of discussing negotiations
4 concerning employees and representatives of employee groups, and for
5 the purpose of hearing evidence and discussing the expulsion or
6 suspension of a student or students only when requested by the
7 student involved or his or her parent, attorney, or legal guardian;
8 provided, however, that any vote or action thereon ~~must~~ shall be
9 taken in a public meeting with the vote of each member publicly cast
10 and recorded. ~~It is required that the~~ The board of education shall
11 provide notice to the student, his or her parent, attorney, or legal
12 guardian that ~~said~~ the student is entitled to an executive session
13 regarding the discussion of his or her expulsion or suspension ~~of~~
14 ~~said student.~~

15 Any action taken in violation of the provisions of ~~this act~~
16 Section 5-101 et seq. of this title shall be invalid.

17 Each member of the board of education of a school district with
18 an average daily attendance exceeding fifteen thousand (15,000) or a
19 school district where boundaries encompass a total population
20 exceeding one hundred thousand (100,000) persons according to the
21 last preceding Federal Decennial Census may be paid from the
22 district's general fund a stipend of ~~Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)~~
23 One Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$190.00) for each regular, special, or
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1 adjourned meeting of the board of education that he or she attends,
2 but not for more than four meetings in any calendar month.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
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