

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                   1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR ENGROSSED  
SENATE BILL NO. 745

5                   By: Gillespie of the Senate

6                   and

7                   Moore and **West (Tammy)** of  
the House

12                   COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

13                   An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2021,  
14                   Section 5-132, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 162,  
O.S.L. 2024 (70 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 5-132),  
15                   which relates to adult high school completion;  
extending age of individuals allowed to complete high  
16                   school; allowing board designees to receive certain  
school attendance evidence; updating statutory  
language; allowing a school district that provides a  
17                   full-time virtual education program to provide  
instruction to persons up to certain age if the  
persons receive instruction by certain method;  
18                   limiting persons who may attend adult high school  
completion programs; exempting certain students from  
19                   being included in certain reports; providing an  
effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 5-132, as  
2 amended by Section 1, Chapter 162, O.S.L. 2024 (70 O.S. Supp. 2024,  
3 Section 5-132), is amended to read as follows:

4 Section 5-132. A. Any person lawfully present in the United  
5 States and who is of legal age and a resident of this state, over  
6 the age of twenty-one (21) and under the age of ~~twenty-six~~ (26)  
7 thirty (30), and who has not completed the twelfth grade in school  
8 shall be given the same educational privileges and opportunities  
9 provided by law for children over the age of five (5) and under the  
10 age of twenty-one (21), upon submitting to the board of education of  
11 the school district in which the person resides, or the board's  
12 designee, evidence satisfactory to that board showing that during  
13 the time before he or she was age twenty-one (21) ~~years of age~~ he or  
14 she was unable to attend school for a definite period or periods of  
15 time, by reason whereof it was impossible for him or her to complete  
16 the twelfth grade before reaching the age of twenty-one (21).  
17 Provided, further, the pupil shall be counted in the average daily  
18 attendance of the district where he or she attends school during the  
19 period of time provided for in this section for the purpose of  
20 calculating State Aid for the district. Provided that, beginning in  
21 the 2025-2026 school year, persons applying and approved to attend  
22 school in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall  
23 only be eligible if such district offers a full-time virtual  
24 education program and such persons only utilize the full-time

1     virtual education program option for the completion of their high  
2     school education.

3         B. Any resident of the state who is age nineteen (19) years of  
4     age or older, who is not enrolled in any high school program, and  
5     who has not completed the twelfth grade may attend any adult high  
6     school completion program which is established by a school district  
7     and approved by the State Board of Career and Technology Education  
8     if such attendance has the approval of the district offering the  
9     program. Such attendance shall not be counted in the average daily  
10    attendance of the district unless the Legislature appropriates  
11    monies for adult high school completion programs. Such attendance  
12    shall not be counted to meet minimum numbers for accreditation of  
13    the school district involved, and such students shall not attend  
14    classes which are a part of the normal class structure of the  
15    district.

16         C. A person subject to the provisions of subsection A or B of  
17     this section shall not be required to take the student assessments  
18     required by Section 1210.508 of this title and shall not be included  
19     in the reports required by Sections 1210.545 or 24-120.1 of this  
20    title.

21         SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

22         SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
23     of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.  
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4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OVERSIGHT, dated  
04/23/2025 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.  
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