

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2209

By: Fourkiller

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8 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to schools; prescribing procedures
10 for voting in certain school board elections and ad
11 valorem tax elections; authorizing voting by certain
12 persons in elections related to independent school
13 districts based upon payment of prescribed amount to
14 independent school district; prohibiting voting in
15 school board elections of dependent school districts
16 under certain circumstances; providing exception;
17 prohibiting voting by certain persons in ad valorem
18 tax elections of independent school districts unless
19 prescribed payment continues to be made; authorizing
20 voting in ad valorem tax elections in dependent
21 district based upon residency; providing for
22 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-107C of Title 70, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any person who resides in a dependent school district shall
be allowed to vote in the elections for members of the school board

1 of the independent school district and in any election for the
2 approval or modification of an ad valorem tax levy imposed or to be
3 imposed by the independent school district if the person makes a
4 payment to the independent district of an amount exactly equal to
5 the ad valorem tax liability for each applicable assessment year of
6 real or personal property, or both, owned by the person and located
7 in the dependent district and which is attributable to the general
8 and building fund millage rates of the dependent school district.

9 B. If the person described in subsection A of this section
10 votes in any election for a member of the board of the independent
11 school district, the person shall not thereafter vote in elections
12 for the board members of the dependent school district unless the
13 person, in their capacity as either parent or legal guardian, has
14 one or more students who continue to attend a school in the
15 dependent school district, and such person may continue to vote in
16 the elections for school board member in the dependent district
17 during any period of time the parent or legal guardian has a student
18 attending a school in the dependent school district.

19 C. After all students for which the person, in their capacity
20 as parent or legal guardian, is responsible have graduated from a
21 school in the independent district, the parent or legal guardian
22 shall not thereafter vote in any election involving an ad valorem
23 tax levy of the independent school district unless the person makes
24 payment to the independent school district of the amount prescribed

1 by subsection A of this section. Such person shall continue to be
2 eligible to vote in elections involving ad valorem tax levies of the
3 dependent school district if the parent or legal guardian is a
4 resident of such dependent district.

5 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND ETHICS, dated
8 02/18/2015 - DO PASS, As Amended.

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