

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 HOUSE BILL 2228

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to higher education; requiring each  
8 board of regents to adopt a housing policy  
9 prohibiting coeducational housing; defining term;  
10 providing an exception for certain students; allowing  
11 for coeducational housing buildings or halls under  
12 certain circumstances; providing for codification;  
13 and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3249 of Title 70, unless there  
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 After the effective date of this act, the board of regents for  
19 each institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher  
20 Education shall adopt a student housing policy that prohibits the  
21 establishment and offering of coeducational housing in dormitories,  
22 halls or any other type of student housing owned or operated by the  
23 institution or which is located on property owned by the  
24 institution. For purposes of this section, "coeducational housing"  
shall mean housing that integrates men and women on the same floor

1 or in the same room. Each housing policy may allow for  
2 coeducational rooms only for married couples or for family members  
3 living together. Each housing policy may allow for coeducational  
4 housing where men and women are in the same building or hall, as  
5 long as men and women are not housed on the same floor or in the  
6 same room and access between the housing areas for men and women are  
7 controlled.

8 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
9 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
10 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
11 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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