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RED BANNER UPDATE

Date: May 19, 2017

Re: SB 0301

Signed: May 12, 2017

Effective: September 1, 2017

Topic: Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships

Summary: SB 0301 amends the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program eligibility requirements.

Previously participants needed to be on an IEP in order to participate in the program but now students on ISPs are also eligible for participation.

Originally students were required to attend an Oklahoma public school the prior school year in order to be eligible. That requirement was later revised to include students from military families and students who were served through an IFSP. This year's revisions permit students who have been in DHS or OJA custody, and who otherwise qualify, to participate in the scholarship program.

No changes are anticipated for any district policy or procedure, but special education directors should be made aware of these changes.