

ROSENSTEIN, FIST & RINGOLD

RED BANNER UPDATE

Date: April 29, 2024

Re: SB 1527

Signed: April 23, 2024

Effective: July 1, 2024

Topic: School Attendance and Therapy Services

Summary: This bill amends current law (70 O.S. § 10-105) to provide an exception to the

compulsory attendance law. The law now requires a school district to excuse a child from attending school for the purpose of receiving speech therapy, occupational therapy, or any other service related to the child's individualized education program developed pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, *provided* the parent, guardian, or other person having custody or control of the child submits a written request for the excused absence. The school district is required to excuse the child upon receipt of documentation from the

provider of the therapy or other service.

Legal counsel at the firm is currently reviewing this legislation and will be advising clients as to any recommended changes to existing district policies.