## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## REQUEST FOR INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL

DATE: 6/18/2025

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S):

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TOPIC OF THE PROPOSAL:

Improving Chronic Absenteeism

## EXPLANATORY COMMENTS ON THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY PROPOSAL:

This interim study will explore the issue of chronic absenteeism in Oklahoma's public schools. While the Oklahoma School Report Card will no longer use chronic absenteeism as a core accountability metric, schools can still earn bonus points for demonstrating improvement in student attendance.

The study will focus on identifying the root causes of chronic absenteeism, including student mobility, eviction and other barriers faced by students and families. It will also highlight effective strategies and community-based efforts currently underway in Oklahoma to support students and improve attendance. The goal of the study is to inform future policy recommendations and strengthen partnerships between schools, families, and community organizations to ensure that more students are present, engaged, and successful in the classroom.

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