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OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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The second session of the 50th Legislature will begin on February 6, 2006.

Highlights This Week:

College savings plan

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The annual limit for contributions to the Oklahoma College Savings Plan has increased 400 percent.

Taxpayers can now deduct up to \$10,000 from their Oklahoma income for the state's 529 Plan. The previous maximum was \$2,500. Couples filing jointly can deduct up to \$20,000.

Gov. Brad Henry signed Senate Bill 448, authorizing the increase. The measure also creates a carry-forward provision that allows contributions not deducted in the year they were made to be carried forward as a deduction anytime over the succeeding five years.

"These changes should encourage more Oklahomans to establish accounts for their children or increase the contributions they have been making to existing accounts," Henry said. "With rising college expenses, parents need to start saving early, and this program helps them do that."

Henry, who authored legislation that created the OCSP as a state senator, endorsed passage of the expanded tax break.

The Oklahoma College Savings Plan has more than \$130 million in total assets, an increase of 13 percent since the end of last year. Accounts have grown to 26,187, a 7 percent increase.

About 92 percent of account owners live in Oklahoma. The average account balance exceeds \$5,000.

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