

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2129

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An Act relating to public health and safety; amending 63 O.S. 1991, Section 1-1524, which relates to the Smoking in Public Places Act; authorizing restaurants to be designated as a totally smoking area or a totally nonsmoking area; authorizing owners or operators of public places to designate such as totally nonsmoking areas; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 1-1524, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-1524. A. ~~Smoking~~ Except as otherwise provided for in this section, and except in a public place in which smoking is prohibited by law, smoking and nonsmoking areas shall be designated by the state or local governmental agency or the person who owns or operates a public place, except in a public place in which smoking is prohibited by law. A restaurant may have designated smoking and nonsmoking areas or may be designated as being a totally smoking area or a totally nonsmoking area. Any person who owns or operates a public place may designate the entire public place as a nonsmoking area. Existing physical barriers and ventilation systems shall be used to minimize smoke in both smoking and adjacent nonsmoking areas.

B. ~~In~~ Except as otherwise provided for in this section, in the case of a public place consisting of a single room, the state or local governmental agency or the person who owns or operates the single room shall be in compliance with ~~this act~~ the Smoking in Public Places Act if an area of the room is reserved and posted as a nonsmoking area. Any person who owns or operates a public

place consisting of a single room may designate the entire room as a nonsmoking area.

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

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