

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1856

By: Paulk of the House

and

Williams (Penny) of the
Senate

An Act relating to definitions and general provisions; authorizing the designation and appointment of the honorary position of State Poet Laureate; providing for the appointment and term of such person; authorizing certain acts by such person; and providing for codification.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 98.4 of Title 25, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby designated the honorary position of State Poet Laureate. The State Poet Laureate shall be appointed by the Governor from lists provided by poetry societies and organizations and such person shall have this honorary position for a period of two (2) years. Each appointment shall be made by January 1 of every odd year beginning January 1, 1995. The person appointed to the honorary position of State Poet Laureate shall not be considered a state official or a state employee for such person's service in the honorary position of State Poet Laureate. The State Poet Laureate shall not be prohibited because of said appointed position from:

1. Running for and being elected to any office in the state or a political subdivision of the state; or
2. Being employed as a classified or unclassified employee of the state or a political subdivision of the state.

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of March, 1994.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 7th day of April, 1994.

President of the Senate