

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 44th Legislature (1994)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2448

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Santa Claus Commission;
amending 10 O.S. 1991, Sections 361, 362 and 363,
which relate to the Santa Claus Commission;
updating references to Office of Public Affairs;
modifying range of institutions in which eligible
children reside; modifying method for calling
meetings of Santa Claus Commission; requiring
Commission to work under supervision of Department
of Central Services; providing for creation of list
of eligible children; modifying type of gifts
authorized for receipt and distribution by
Commission; modifying procedures for payment of
claims; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 1991, Section 361, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 361. There is hereby created a commission to be known
as the Santa Claus Commission. The Commission shall consist of
three (3) members to be appointed by the Director of the ~~Office of~~
~~Public Affairs~~ Department of Central Services. The Santa Claus

Commission shall have authority within its discretion to provide or purchase, in accordance with the procedures in the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, a Christmas present for every child ~~who is residing in an institution for children in the state which is supported in whole or in part by public funds, and shall see that every child residing in any institution for children in the state which is supported in whole or in part by appropriations out of the State Treasury receives a Christmas present~~ residing in a child care institution of the Department of Human Services, a licensed child care institution or smaller institution, supported in whole or in part by the state, as defined by the Department of Human Services.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 1991, Section 362, is amended to read as follows:

Section 362. ~~Said~~ The Commission shall meet at the call of the Governor of the state at least thirty (30) days prior to the ~~twenty-fifth day of December of the next and succeeding calendar years in the offices of the Office of Public Affairs~~ chairperson on a quarterly basis and such special meetings as may be called. The Commission shall work under the supervision and direction of the Department of Central Services. The Commission, ~~together with the Governor of the state and the Director of the Office of Public Affairs,~~ shall make a list of the children residing in the ~~institutions for children of the state, which are supported in whole or in part by the state, and shall purchase for said children suitable and appropriate Christmas gifts~~ receive a list of the eligible institutions and number of eligible children, as provided by the Department of Human Services and defined in Section 361 of this title. ~~Said Director of the Office of Public Affairs~~ Commission is hereby expressly authorized to receive and accept, for and on behalf of the state, gifts and contributions from any person, firm, or individual, ~~fairly and equally distributing such gifts and contributions to the children residing in the institutions for~~

~~children of the state. The Commission shall work under the supervision and direction of the Office of Public Affairs. The Commission is authorized to accept toys and other suitable gifts made or manufactured by the inmates of the several institutions of the state, and to distribute such gifts to the children in support of the intent of the Commission.~~

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 1991, Section 363, is amended to read as follows:

Section 363. All claims for the purchase of gifts under the terms and provisions of Sections 361 through 363 of this title shall be approved by the Director of the ~~Office of Public Affairs and paid out of the funds herein provided in the same manner as other purchases made by the Office of Public Affairs~~ Department of Central Services and paid out of the funds herein as established by and for the benefit of the Santa Claus Commission.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective September 1, 1994.

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