

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2601

By: Paulk of the House
and
Brown of the Senate

An Act relating to officers; amending 51 O.S. 1991, Section 94, which relates to ouster of certain officers; increasing the number of citizens required to verify notice to the Attorney General to instigate investigation and ouster proceedings; prohibiting state entities from hiring certain persons; providing for applicability of prohibitions; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 51 O.S. 1991, Section 94, is amended to read as follows:

Section 94. It shall be the duty of the Attorney General of this state, when directed by the Governor, or upon notice being received by ~~him~~ the Attorney General in writing and verified by ~~five~~ one hundred or more reputable citizens of the county before some officer authorized to administer oaths, that any officer herein mentioned has been guilty of any of the acts, omissions or offenses as set out in Section, ~~3~~ 93 of this ~~act~~ title, to forthwith investigate such complaint, and if on such investigation ~~he~~ the Attorney General shall find that there is reasonable cause for such

complaint, ~~he~~ the Attorney General shall forthwith institute proceedings in the Supreme Court of the state, or any district court of the county of the residence of the accused, to oust such officer from office.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 24.1A of Title 51, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No state agency, board, commission, department or other entity of state government or any institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall employ any person who has pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to or who has been convicted of any felony for the sale or distribution of any drug, narcotic or controlled dangerous substance, however defined, pursuant to the laws of the jurisdiction in which the plea was entered or the conviction obtained.

B. The provisions of this section shall be applicable only to those persons seeking employment with an entity described in subsection A of this section on or after the effective date of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 1996.

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of March, 1996.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1996.

President of the Senate