

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1236

By: McCorkell of the House

and

Fisher of the Senate

An Act relating to Oklahoma Futures; amending 74 O.S. 1991, Section 5002.3, as amended by Section 26, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 1994 (74 O.S. Supp. 1994, Section 5002.3), which relates to membership of Oklahoma Futures; modifying references; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 5002.3, as amended by Section 26, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 1994 (74 O.S. Supp. 1994, Section 5002.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 5002.3 A. In order to fulfill its mission as the originator, proponent, coordinator and overseer of economic analyses and plans, Oklahoma Futures shall be the central economic development policy planning and oversight board for all economic development activities in Oklahoma. Oklahoma Futures shall serve as an expert economic development advisory board to the Governor of Oklahoma, all other executive departments, the state legislature and the judiciary.

1. Oklahoma Futures shall be the economic development advisory board for the Oklahoma Department of Commerce.

2. Oklahoma Futures and the Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall act as policy developer and overseer to the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority, and the Oklahoma Capital Investment Board.

3. Oklahoma Futures shall act as the central policy development board to any newly created Oklahoma agencies, authorities, departments and other entities of state government whose fundamental mission is the economic development of Oklahoma.

4. In its capacity as Oklahoma's central economic development policy planning and oversight board, Oklahoma Futures shall institutionalize ongoing means of collaboration between the executive and legislative branches, the business, agricultural and financial sectors, labor and management, educational institutions and local communities to create within a developing Oklahoma economy increased innovation, creativity, diversity and productivity which is greater than any one sector can achieve acting alone.

B. Oklahoma Futures shall be a board consisting of the following members:

1. The Governor;
2. The Lieutenant Governor;
3. The Speaker of the House of Representatives;
4. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
5. The President of the University of Oklahoma;
6. The President of Oklahoma State University;

7. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce;
8. The Chairman of the Economic Development Committee of the House of Representatives;
9. The Chairman of the Economic Development Committee of the Senate;
10. The President of the Oklahoma AFL-CIO;
11. The ~~Chairman~~ President of the Oklahoma State Chamber of Commerce and ~~Associated Industries~~ Industry;
12. A representative of the Oklahoma Wheat Growers' Association, appointed by the Governor from a list of three nominees submitted by the Association for a three-year term. Said representative shall be appointed within thirty (30) days of receipt of said list;
13. A representative of the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association, appointed by the Governor from a list of three nominees submitted by the Association for a three-year term. Said representative shall be appointed within thirty (30) days of receipt of said list;
14. Six persons from the private sector appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate;
15. Two persons from the private sector appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
16. Two persons from the private sector appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

C. Persons initially appointed to Oklahoma Futures by the Governor shall serve for a term of office as follows:

1. Two members shall serve for a term of office of one (1) year;
2. One member shall serve for a term of office of two (2) years;
3. One member shall serve for a term of office of three (3) years; and
4. Two members shall serve for a term of office of four (4) years.

D. Persons initially appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall serve for a term of office of one (1) year and four (4) years respectively.

E. Persons initially appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall serve for a term of office of two (2) years and three (3) years respectively.

F. All appointees to the board shall be selected for outstanding knowledge and leadership in their fields.

Except as otherwise provided, appointed members shall serve for a term of four (4) years.

No appointed member may serve more than two consecutive full terms of office on Oklahoma Futures.

G. Any vacancy in the appointive membership of Oklahoma Futures shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. For gubernatorial appointments, if a vacancy occurs when the Senate is not in session, the Governor may appoint a member who shall exercise full powers until confirmation or rejection of the appointment by the Senate.

H. The Governor shall serve as co-chairman of Oklahoma Futures. The other co-chairman shall be elected annually from among the private sector members. A vice-chairman shall be elected annually from among all the members.

I. Oklahoma Futures shall meet at least once each calendar quarter and at such other times upon the call of the Governor. No person who serves on the board because of his or her status as an elected official shall be counted for purposes of determining the

existence of a quorum for the transaction of business by Oklahoma Futures.

J. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall be the chief executive officer of Oklahoma Futures.

1. Oklahoma Futures shall submit a list of at least three (3) nominees from a national search to the Governor. The Governor is free to appoint any individual to be the chief executive officer of Oklahoma Futures and the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, with the advice and consent of the Senate, giving reasonable consideration to the nominees submitted by Oklahoma Futures.

2. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall provide administrative staff and other assistance to Oklahoma Futures to develop annual five-year statewide economic plans, and manage and support the state's decentralized economic innovation system and economic information system. In addition, the Director shall designate one employee who shall devote full time to providing staff assistance to Oklahoma Futures.

K. Pursuant to rules promulgated by Oklahoma Futures, members shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel expenses in performing their duties as members of Oklahoma Futures.

L. In making appointments to the board of directors of Oklahoma Futures, appropriate consideration shall be given to representation upon the board by race, gender and geographical area.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1995.

Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of March, 1995.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 4th day of April, 1995.

President of the Senate