

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1266

By: Hilliard

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Oklahoma State Bureau of  
Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control; amending 63  
O.S. 1991, Section 2-103, which relates to  
appointment of the director; clarifying language;  
and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 2-103, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 2-103. A. The Director shall be appointed by the  
Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control  
Commission. The Director of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control  
on January 1, 1984, shall be initially appointed as Director. The  
succeeding Director shall, at the time of ~~his~~ the appointment, have  
a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university and at  
least five (5) years' experience in drug law enforcement. The  
Director may appoint necessary assistants, agents, and other  
personnel to perform the work of the office and may prescribe their  
titles and duties and fix their compensation pursuant to Merit  
System rules. The Director may appoint an employee to the position  
of Public Information/Education Officer. Said position shall be  
unclassified and exempt from the rules and procedures of the Office

of Personnel Management, except leave regulations. The office of the Director shall be located at a suitable place in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

B. Agents appointed by the Director shall have the powers of peace officers generally, except that the Director may appoint special agents for specific investigatory assignments, who do not meet the age and educational requirements outlined herein and the salary provision outlined herein shall not apply to these special agents. Agents shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and shall have sixty (60) hours' college credit from an accredited college or university and two (2) years' law enforcement experience, or a Bachelor's Degree, or at least four (4) years' drug enforcement experience. Each entering agent shall be required to serve one (1) year in a probationary status as a prerequisite to being placed on permanent status.

C. Agents appointed pursuant to the provisions of this section shall have the responsibility of investigating alleged violations and shall have the authority to arrest those suspected of having violated the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act.

D. A commissioned employee of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control shall be entitled to receive upon retirement by reason of length of service, the continued custody and possession of the sidearm and badge carried by such employee immediately prior to retirement.

E. A commissioned employee of the Bureau may be entitled to receive, upon retirement by reason of disability, the continued custody and possession of the sidearm and badge carried by such employee immediately prior to retirement upon written approval of the Director.

F. Custody and possession of the sidearm and badge of a commissioned employee killed in the line of duty may be awarded by the Director to the spouse or next of kin of the deceased employee.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

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