

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1989

By: Fields of the House

and

Kerr of the Senate

An Act relating to the Department of Public Safety; authorizing the Commissioner of Public Safety to establish an employee recognition program; directing expenditure of funds for certain purpose; stating types of recognition; allowing cash awards for certain purpose; limiting amount each fiscal year for certain awards and recognition; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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 2-122.2 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to establish an employee performance recognition program that encourages outstanding job performance and productivity within the Department of Public Safety. The Commissioner is authorized to expend funds for:

1. The purchase of recognition awards to be presented to work units or individual employees having exceptional job performance records or other significant contributions to the operation of the Department; and

2. A formal ceremony or banquet where the awards may be presented.

B. Recognition awards may consist of distinctive wearing apparel, service pins, plaques, writing pens, or other distinguished awards of a value not exceeding One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per award to recognize the achievement of the work unit or individual employee. In addition to recognition awards, the Commissioner may establish an employee benefit program not exceeding Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) each fiscal year for cash awards to recognize outstanding performance in the workplace by Department employees.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the House of Representatives the 25th day of April, 2000

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Speaker of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 13th day of April, 2000.

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President of the Senate