

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2711

By: Toure of the House

and

Smith of the Senate

An Act relating to duplicate sections; amending Section 72, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7301-1.3), 18 O.S. 1991, Sections 552.3, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999, 552.7, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999, and 552.9, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 552.3, 552.7 and 552.9), 22 O.S. 1991, Section 991c, as last amended by Section 27, Chapter 4, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (22 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 991c), Section 3, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 16, Chapter 397, O.S.L. 1999 (25 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 307.1), Section 12, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 284, O.S.L. 1999 (27A O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2-5-112), 28 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 408, O.S.L. 1999 (28 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 42 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as amended by Section 334, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (42 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 47 O.S. 1991, Sections 6-101, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 342, O.S.L. 1999, 11-902, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 395, O.S.L. 1999, and 1115, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 232, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 6-101, 11-902 and 1115), 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.5, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 415, O.S.L. 1999 (59 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1750.5), 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4021, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 1999 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 4021), 68 O.S. 1991, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 9, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 1999 and Section 7, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 14, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 1999 (68 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 1357 and 3607), 69 O.S. 1991, Section 1705, as last amended by Section 414, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (69 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1705), 70 O.S. 1991, Sections 5-117, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 327, O.S.L. 1999, 18-108, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 355, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 5, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 14, Chapter 345, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 5-117, 18-108 and 3517.2), 74 O.S. 1991, Sections 85.4, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 321, O.S.L. 1999, 85.7, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 289,

O.S.L. 1999, 85.12, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999, 500.2, as last amended by Section 15, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999, 840.8, as renumbered by Section 54, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 375, O.S.L. 1999, Section 12, Chapter 419, O.S.L. 1998, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1999, 920, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 378, O.S.L. 1999, 1306, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 403, O.S.L. 1999, and 1316.1, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 255, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 85.4, 85.7, 85.12, 500.2, 840-5.5, 910.5, 920, 1306 and 1316.1), 75 O.S. 1991, Section 250.4, as last amended by Section 11, Chapter 423, O.S.L. 1999 (75 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 250.4), 21 O.S. 1991, Section 644, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 309, O.S.L. 1999 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 644), and 61 O.S. 1991, Section 130, as last amended by Section 16, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1998 (61 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 130), which are duplicate sections; merging and consolidating certain duplicate sections; repealing Section 72, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7301-1.3), 18 O.S. 1991, Sections 552.3, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999, 552.7, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 325, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 3, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999, and 552.9, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 552.3, 552.7 and 552.9), 22 O.S. 1991, Section 991c, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1999 (22 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 991c), Section 3, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 1999 (25 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 307.1), Section 12, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 131, O.S.L. 1999 (27A O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2-5-112), 28 O.S. 1999, Section 153, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1999 (28 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 42 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 212, O.S.L. 1999 (42 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 47 O.S. 1991, Sections 6-101, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 278, O.S.L. 1999, 11-902, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 2, Chapter 391, O.S.L. 1999, and 1115, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 178, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 6-101, 11-902 and 1115), 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.5, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 68, O.S.L. 1999 (59 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1750.5), 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4021, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 278, O.S.L. 1999 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 4021), 68 O.S. 1991, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 243, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 1, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 7, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 203, O.S.L. 1999 (68 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 1357 and 3607), 69 O.S. 1991, Section 1705, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 341, O.S.L. 1999 (69

O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1705), 70 O.S. 1991, Section 5-117, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 244, O.S.L. 1999, Section 18-108, as last amended by Section 53, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999, Section 4, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 271, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 5, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 9, Chapter 271, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 5-117, 18-108, 3517.1 and 3517.2), 74 O.S. 1991, Sections 85.4, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999, 85.7, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1999, 85.12, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 197, O.S.L. 1999, 500.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 121, O.S.L. 1999, 840.8, as renumbered by Section 54, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994, and as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 1999, Section 12, Chapter 419, O.S.L. 1998, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 279, O.S.L. 1999, 920, as last amended by Section 43, Chapter 257, O.S.L. 1999, 1306, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 255, O.S.L. 1999, 1316.1, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 208, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 85.4, 85.7, 85.12, 500.2, 840-5.5, 910.5, 920, 1306 and 1316.1), and 75 O.S. 1991, Section 250.4, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1999 (75 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 250.4), which are duplicate sections; repealing 21 O.S. 1991, Sections 644, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 368, O.S.L. 1997, and 650.2, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 333, O.S.L. 1997 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 644 and 650.2), 10 O.S. 1991, Section 1149, as renumbered by Section 200, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, and as last amended by Section 37, Chapter 293, O.S.L. 1997 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 650.8), and 61 O.S. 1991, Section 130, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 72, O.S.L. 1997 (61 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 130), which are duplicate sections; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 72, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 365, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7301-1.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 7301-1.3 When used in the Oklahoma Juvenile Code, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Adjudicatory hearing" means a hearing to determine whether the allegations of a petition filed pursuant to the provisions of Article III of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code are supported by the evidence and whether a juvenile should be adjudged to be a ward of the court;

2. "Alternatives to secure detention" means those services and facilities which are included in the State Plan for the Establishment of Juvenile Detention Services adopted by the Board of

Juvenile Affairs and which are used for the temporary detention of juveniles in lieu of secure detention in a juvenile detention facility;

3. "Board" means the Board of Juvenile Affairs;

4. "Child" or "juvenile" means any person under eighteen (18) years of age, except for any person sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age who is charged with any crime specified in subsection A of Section 7306-1.1 of this title, or any person thirteen (13), fourteen (14) or fifteen (15) years of age who is charged with murder in the first degree pursuant to subsection B of Section 7306-1.1 of this title or Section 7306-2.5 of this title, or any individual who has been certified as an adult pursuant to Section 7303-4.3 of this title, or any individual against whom the imposition of judgment and sentence has been deferred for any crime specified in subsection A or B of Section 7306-1.1 of this title, any individual against whom the imposition of judgment and sentence has been deferred after certification as an adult pursuant to Section 7303-4.3 of this title, or any person fifteen (15) years of age or older and charged or certified as a youthful offender pursuant to the Youthful Offender Act; provided that any person under eighteen (18) years of age who is not convicted after being charged with a crime pursuant to Section 7306-1.1 of this title, or any individual who is not convicted after certification as an adult pursuant to Section 7303-4.3 of this title, or any individual who is not convicted as a youthful offender pursuant to the Youthful Offender Act, shall continue to be subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court;

5. "Child or juvenile in need of mental health treatment" means a juvenile in need of mental health treatment as defined by the Inpatient Mental Health Treatment of Children Act;

6. "Child or juvenile in need of supervision" means a juvenile who:

- a. has repeatedly disobeyed reasonable and lawful commands or directives of the parent, legal guardian, or other custodian,
- b. is willfully and voluntarily absent from his home without the consent of the parent, legal guardian, or other custodian for a substantial length of time or without intent to return,
- c. is willfully and voluntarily absent from school, as specified in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, if the juvenile is subject to compulsory school attendance, or
- d. has been served with an ex parte or final protective order pursuant to the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act;

7. "Community-based" means a facility, program or service, or open group home or other suitable place located near the home or family of the juvenile, and programs of community supervision and service which maintain community participation in their planning, operation, and evaluation. These programs may include but are not

limited to medical, educational, vocational, social, and psychological guidance, training, counseling, alcoholism treatment, drug treatment, diversion programs for first-time offenders, transitional living, independent living and other rehabilitative services;

8. "Community intervention center" means a facility which serves as a short-term reception facility to receive and hold juveniles for an alleged violation of a municipal ordinance or state law, as provided for in subsection D of Section 7302-3.5 of this title;

9. "Community residential center" means a residential facility for no more than twenty juveniles which offers a range of services including personal and social services, and emphasizes normal group living, school attendance, securing employment, and general participation in the community;

10. "Day treatment" means a program which provides intensive services to juveniles who reside in their own home, the home of a relative, or a foster home. Day treatment programs include educational services and may be operated as a part of a residential facility;

11. "Delinquent child or juvenile" means a juvenile who:

- a. has violated any federal or state law or municipal ordinance except a traffic statute or traffic ordinance or any provision of the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code, the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Regulation Act or the Oklahoma Boating Safety Regulation Act, or has violated any lawful order of the court made pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code, or
- b. has habitually violated traffic laws, traffic ordinances or boating safety laws or rules;

12. "Department" means the Department of Juvenile Justice;

13. "Deputy Director" means the Deputy Director of the Department of Juvenile Justice;

14. "Dispositional hearing" means a hearing to determine the order of disposition which should be made with respect to a juvenile adjudged to be a ward of the court;

15. "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs;

16. "Facility" means a place, an institution, a building or part thereof, a set of buildings, or an area whether or not enclosing a building or set of buildings which is used for the lawful custody and treatment of juveniles. A facility shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

17. "Graduated sanctions" means a calibrated system of sanctions designed to ensure that juvenile offenders face uniform, immediate, and consistent consequences that correspond to the

seriousness of each offender's current offense, prior delinquent history, and compliance with prior interventions;

18. "Group home" means a residential facility housing no more than twelve juveniles with a program which emphasizes family-style living in a homelike environment. Said group home may also offer a program within the community to meet the specialized treatment needs of its residents. A group home shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~18.~~ 19. "Independent living program" means a program designed to assist a juvenile to enhance skills and abilities necessary for successful adult living and may include but shall not be limited to minimal direct staff supervision and supportive services in making the arrangements necessary for an appropriate place of residence, completing an education, vocational training, obtaining employment or other similar services;

~~19.~~ 20. "Institution" means a residential facility offering care and treatment for more than twenty residents. An institution shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Said institution may:

- a. have a program which includes community participation and community-based services, or
- b. be a secure facility with a program exclusively designed for a particular category of resident;

~~20.~~ 21. "Juvenile detention facility" means a secure facility which meets the certification standards of the Department and which is entirely separate from any prison, jail, adult lockup, or other adult facility, for the temporary care of children. A juvenile detention facility shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~21.~~ 22. "Mental health facility" means a mental health facility as defined by the Inpatient Mental Health Treatment of Children Act;

~~22.~~ 23. "Municipal juvenile facility" means a facility other than a community intervention center that accepts a child under eighteen (18) years of age charged with violating a municipal ordinance and meets the requirements of Section 7303-1.2 of this title;

~~23.~~ 24. "Office" means the Office of Juvenile Affairs;

~~24.~~ 25. "Person responsible for a juvenile's health or welfare" includes a parent, a legal guardian, custodian, a foster parent, a person eighteen (18) years of age or older with whom the juvenile's parent cohabitates or any other adult residing in the home of the child, an agent or employee of a public or private residential home, institution or facility, or an owner, operator, or employee of a child care facility as defined by Section 402 of this title;

~~25.~~ 26. "Preliminary inquiry" or "intake" means a mandatory, preadjudicatory interview of the juvenile and, if available, the parents, legal guardian, or other custodian of the juvenile, which

is performed by a duly authorized individual to determine whether a juvenile comes within the purview of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code, whether nonadjudicatory alternatives are available and appropriate, and if the filing of a petition is necessary;

~~26.~~ 27. "Probation" means a legal status created by court order whereby a delinquent juvenile is permitted to remain outside a Department of Juvenile Justice facility directly or by contract under prescribed conditions and under supervision by the Department, subject to return to the court for violation of any of the conditions prescribed;

~~27.~~ 28. "Rehabilitative facility" means a facility maintained by the state exclusively for the care, education, training, treatment, and rehabilitation of juveniles in need of supervision;

~~28.~~ 29. "Secure detention" means the temporary care of juveniles who require secure custody in physically restricting facilities:

- a. while under the continuing jurisdiction of the court pending court disposition, or
- b. pending placement by the Department of Juvenile Justice after adjudication;

~~29.~~ 30. "Training school" or "secure facility" means a facility, maintained by the state exclusively for the care, education, training, treatment, and rehabilitation of delinquent juveniles or youthful offenders which relies on locked rooms and buildings, and fences for physical restraint in order to control behavior of its residents. A training school or secure facility shall not be considered a correctional facility subject to the provisions of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

~~30.~~ 31. "Transitional living program" means a residential program that may be attached to an existing facility or operated solely for the purpose of assisting juveniles to develop the skills and abilities necessary for successful adult living. Said program may include but shall not be limited to reduced staff supervision, vocational training, educational services, employment and employment training, and other appropriate independent living skills training as a part of the transitional living program.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 1991, Section 552.3, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 552.3), is amended to read as follows:

Section 552.3 No charitable organization, except those specifically exempt under Section 552.4 of this title, shall solicit or accept contributions from any person in this state by any means whatsoever until the charitable organization shall have registered with the Office of the Secretary of State and filed information, as required by this act, on forms approved by that office. At the time of registration, each charitable organization shall pay a fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), which shall be deposited to the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. Registration shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of filing with the Secretary of State, and shall be subject to annual renewal. This registration shall not be deemed to constitute endorsement by the state or by the

Secretary of State of the charitable organizations so registered. The information so filed shall be available to the general public as a matter of public record. The forms containing the information shall be signed and acknowledged by a party duly authorized to sign on behalf of the charitable organization and shall include the following:

1. The legal name of the charitable organization, any other name the organization may be identified as or known as, and any distinctive names the organization uses for purposes of public solicitation;

2. The street address and the mailing address, if different, of the charitable organization;

3. The name and street address of:

a. each officer, including each principal salaried executive staff officer,

b. each director,

c. each trustee,

d. each person who will have custody of the contributions, and

e. each person responsible for the distribution of funds collected;

4. The purposes for which the contributions solicited or accepted are to be used; provided, however, no contribution or any portion thereof shall inure to the private benefit of any voluntary solicitor;

5. A copy of Internal Revenue Form 990 as filed by the charitable organization for the most recently completed fiscal year; or, for the initial registration of a newly formed organization, a copy of a letter from the Internal Revenue Service, or other evidence, showing the tax exempt status of the charitable organization;

6. The period of time during which the solicitation is to be conducted;

7. A description of the specific method or methods of solicitation;

8. Whether the solicitation is to be conducted by voluntary unpaid solicitors, by paid solicitors, or both;

9. If in whole or in part by paid solicitors, the name and address of each professional fund raiser supplying the solicitors, which includes any professional fund raising counsel who is acting or has agreed to act on behalf of the organization; the basis of payment and the nature of the arrangement, including a copy of the contract or other agreement between the charitable organization and the professional fund raiser or fund raising counsel relating to financial compensation or profit to be derived by the fund raisers or fund raising counsel, the specific amount or percentage of

compensation, or property of any kind or value to be paid or paid to the professional fund raiser, the percentage value of compensation as compared:

- a. to the total contributions received, and
- b. to the net amount of the total contributions received; and

10. Additional information as may be deemed necessary and appropriate by the Secretary of State in the public interest or for the specific protection of contributors.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 1991, Section 552.7, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 552.7), is amended to read as follows:

Section 552.7 A. No person shall act as a professional fund-raiser for any charitable organization, including those organizations listed under Section 552.4 of this title, until the person has first registered with the Office of the Secretary of State. Applications for registrations, signed and acknowledged by a party duly authorized to act on behalf of the fund raiser, shall state the full, legal name of the professional fund raiser, the street address of the principal place of business of the fund raiser, the full, legal names and street addresses of the charitable organizations with which it has entered into contracts or agreements, and shall be accompanied by an annual fee in the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), to be deposited to the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. The applicant shall, at the time of making application, file with the Secretary of State a bond in which the applicant shall be the principal obligor, in the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), with one or more sureties whose liability in the aggregate as sureties shall at least equal that sum. The bond shall run to the Secretary of State for the use of the state and to any person, including a charitable organization, who may have a cause of action against the obligor of the bond for any malfeasance or misfeasance of the obligor or any professional solicitor employed by him or her in the conduct of the solicitation. Registration shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of filing with the Secretary of State, and may be renewed annually upon the filing of a renewal application accompanied by the bond and fee prescribed herein.

B. No professional fundraiser or solicitor shall engage in fundraising activities for a charitable organization which is not registered with the Secretary of State unless the organization is exempt from registration.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 18 O.S. 1991, Section 552.9, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 552.9), is amended to read as follows:

Section 552.9 Every professional solicitor employed or retained by a professional fund raiser required to register shall, before accepting employment by the professional fund raiser, register with the Office of the Secretary of State. An application for registration, signed by the solicitor and acknowledged, shall state the full, legal name and street address of the professional fund raiser that employs the solicitor and shall be accompanied by a fee

in the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), to be deposited to the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. Registration shall be for a period of one (1) year from the date of filing by the Secretary of State, and may be renewed annually upon the filing of a renewal application accompanied by a payment of the fee prescribed herein.

SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 1991, Section 991c, as last amended by Section 27, Chapter 4, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (22 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 991c), is amended to read as follows:

Section 991c. A. Upon a verdict or plea of guilty or upon a plea of nolo contendere, but before a judgment of guilt, the court may, without entering a judgment of guilt and with the consent of the defendant, defer further proceedings upon the specific conditions prescribed by the court not to exceed a five-year period. The court shall first consider restitution among the various conditions it may prescribe. The court may also consider ordering the defendant to:

1. Pay court costs ~~and court assessments;~~

2. Pay an assessment in lieu of any fine authorized by law for the offense;

3. Pay any other assessment or cost authorized by law;

4. Engage in a term of community service without compensation, according to a schedule consistent with the employment and family responsibilities of the defendant;

~~3.~~ 5. County jail confinement for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days or the maximum amount of jail time provided for the offense, if it is less than ninety (90) days;

~~4.~~ 6. Pay an amount as reimbursement for reasonable attorney fee, to be paid into the court fund, if a court-appointed attorney has been provided to defendant;

~~5.~~ 7. Be supervised in the community for a period not to exceed two (2) years. As a condition of any supervision, the defendant shall be required to pay a supervision fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month. The supervision fee shall be waived in whole or part by the supervisory agency when the accused is indigent. No person shall be denied supervision based solely on the person's inability to pay a fee;

~~6.~~ 8. Pay into the court fund a monthly amount not exceeding Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month during any period during which the proceedings are deferred when the defendant is not to be supervised in the community. The total amount to be paid into the court fund shall be established by the court and shall not exceed the amount of the maximum fine authorized by law for the offense;

~~7.~~ 9. Make other reparations to the community or victim as required and deemed appropriate by the court;

~~8.~~ 10. Order any conditions which can be imposed for a suspended sentence pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 991a of this title; or

~~9.~~ 11. Any combination of the above provisions.

B. In addition to any conditions of supervision provided for in subsection A of this section, the court shall, in the case of a person before the court for the offense of operating or being in control of a motor vehicle while the person was under the influence of alcohol, other intoxicating substance, or a combination of alcohol and another intoxicating substance, or who is before the court for the offense of operating a motor vehicle while the ability of the person to operate such vehicle was impaired due to the consumption of alcohol, require the person to participate in an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program offered by a facility or qualified practitioner certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for the purpose of evaluating the receptivity to treatment and prognosis of the person. The court shall order the person to reimburse the facility or qualified practitioner for the evaluation. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall establish a fee schedule, based upon a person's ability to pay, provided the fee for an evaluation shall not exceed Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00). The evaluation shall be conducted at a certified facility, the office of a qualified practitioner or at another location as ordered by the court. The facility or qualified practitioner shall, within seventy-two (72) hours from the time the person is assessed, submit a written report to the court for the purpose of assisting the court in its determination of conditions for deferred sentence. No person, agency or facility operating an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall solicit or refer any person evaluated pursuant to this subsection for any treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service in which the person, agency or facility has a vested interest; however, this provision shall not be construed to prohibit the court from ordering participation in or any person from voluntarily utilizing a treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service offered by such person, agency or facility. Any evaluation report submitted to the court pursuant to this subsection shall be handled in a manner which will keep the report confidential from the general public's review. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the court from ordering judgment and sentence in the event the defendant fails or refuses to comply with an order of the court to obtain the evaluation required by this subsection. As used in this subsection, "qualified practitioner" means a person with at least a bachelor's degree in substance abuse treatment, mental health or a related health care field and at least two (2) years' experience in providing alcohol abuse treatment, other drug abuse treatment, or both alcohol and other drug abuse treatment who is certified each year by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide these assessments. However, any person who does not meet the requirements for a qualified practitioner as defined herein, but who has been previously certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide alcohol or drug treatment or assessments, shall be considered a qualified practitioner provided all education, experience and certification requirements stated herein are met by September 1, 1995. The court may also require the person to participate in one or both of the following:

1. An alcohol and drug substance abuse course, pursuant to Sections 3-452 and 3-453 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

2. A victims impact panel program, if such a program is offered in the county where the judgment is rendered. The defendant shall be required to pay a fee, not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) as set by the governing authority of the program and approved by the court, to the victims impact panel program to offset the cost of participation by the defendant, if in the opinion of the court the defendant has the ability to pay such fee.

C. Upon completion of the conditions of the deferred judgment, and upon a finding by the court that the conditions have been met and all fines, fees, and monetary assessments have been paid as ordered, the defendant shall be discharged without a court judgment of guilt, and the court shall order the verdict or plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere to be expunged from the record and the charge shall be dismissed with prejudice to any further action. The procedure to expunge the defendant's record shall be as follows:

1. All references to the defendant's name shall be deleted from the docket sheet;

2. The public index of the filing of the charge shall be expunged by deletion, mark-out or obliteration;

3. Upon expungement, the court clerk shall keep a separate confidential index of case numbers and names of defendants which have been obliterated pursuant to the provisions of this section;

4. No information concerning the confidential file shall be revealed or released, except upon written order of a judge of the district court; and

5. Defendants qualifying under Section 18 of this title may petition the court to have the filing of the indictment and the dismissal expunged from the public index and docket sheet. This section shall not be mutually exclusive of Section 18 of this title.

D. Upon order of the court, the provisions of subsection C of this section shall be retroactive.

E. Upon violation of any condition of the deferred judgment, the court may enter a judgment of guilt and proceed as provided in Section 991a of this title or may modify any condition imposed. Provided, however, if the deferred judgment is for a felony offense, and the defendant commits another felony offense, the defendant shall not be allowed bail pending appeal.

F. The deferred judgment procedure described in this section shall only apply to defendants not having been previously convicted of a felony offense.

Provided, the court may waive this prohibition upon written application of the district attorney. Both the application and the waiver shall be made a part of the record of the case.

G. The deferred judgment procedure described in this section shall not apply to defendants who plead guilty or nolo contendere to a sex offense. The term "sex offense" shall not include a violation of paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 1021 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 6. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 16, Chapter 397, O.S.L. 1999 (25 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 307.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 307.1 A. No public body shall hold meetings by teleconference except:

1. Oklahoma Futures;
2. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education;
3. The Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision;
4. The State Board of Osteopathic Examiners;
5. The Board of Dentistry;
6. The Variance and Appeals Boards created in Sections 1021.1, 1697 and 1850.16 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
7. A public trust whose beneficiary is a municipality; however, no more than twenty percent (20%) of a quorum of the trustees may participate by teleconference and during any such meetings all votes shall be roll call votes; ~~and~~
8. The Native American Cultural and Educational Authority; and
9. The Corporation Commission.

B. No public body authorized to hold meetings by teleconference shall conduct an executive session by teleconference.

SECTION 7. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 284, O.S.L. 1999 (27A O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2-5-112), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-5-112. A. Upon the effective date of permitting rules promulgated pursuant to the Oklahoma Clean Air Act, it shall be unlawful for any person to construct any new source, or to modify or operate any new or existing source of emission of air contaminants except in compliance with a permit issued by the Department of Environmental Quality, unless the source has been exempted or deferred or is in compliance with an applicable deadline for submission of an application for such permit.

B. The Department shall have the authority and the responsibility, in accordance with rules of the Environmental Quality Board, to implement a comprehensive permitting program for the state consistent with the requirements of the Oklahoma Clean Air Act. Such authority shall include but shall not be limited to the authority to:

1. Expeditiously issue, reissue, modify and reopen for cause, permits for new and existing sources for the emission of air contaminants, and to grant a reasonable measure of priority to the processing of applications for new construction or modifications. The Department may also revoke, suspend, deny, refuse to issue or to reissue a permit upon a determination that any permittee or applicant is in violation of any substantive provisions of the

Oklahoma Clean Air Act, or any rule promulgated thereunder or any permit issued pursuant thereto;

2. Refrain from issuing a permit when issuance has been objected to by the Environmental Protection Agency in accordance with Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act;

3. Revise any permit for cause or automatically reopen it to incorporate newly applicable rules or requirements if the remaining permit term is greater than three (3) years; or incorporate insignificant changes into a permit without requiring a revision;

4. Establish and enforce reasonable permit conditions which may include, but not be limited to:

- a. emission limitations for regulated air contaminants,
- b. operating procedures when related to emissions,
- c. performance standards,
- d. provisions relating to entry and inspections, and
- e. compliance plans and schedules;

5. Require, if necessary, at the expense of the permittee or applicant:

- a. installation and utilization of continuous monitoring devices,
- b. sampling, testing and monitoring of emissions as needed to determine compliance,
- c. submission of reports and test results, and
- d. ambient air modeling and monitoring;

6. Issue:

- a. general permits covering similar sources, and
- b. permits to sources in violation, when compliance plans, which shall be enforceable by the Department, are incorporated into the permit;

7. Require, at a minimum, that emission control devices on stationary sources be reasonably maintained and properly operated;

8. Require that a permittee certify, ~~no less frequently than annually,~~ that the facility is in compliance with all applicable requirements of the permit and to promptly report any deviations therefrom to the Department;

9. Issue permits to sources requiring permits under Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act for a term not to exceed five (5) years, except that solid waste incinerators may be allowed a term of up to twelve (12) years provided that the permit shall be reviewed no less frequently than every five (5) years;

10. Specify requirements and conditions applicable to the content and submittal of permit applications; set by rule, a reasonable time in which the Department must determine the completeness of such applications; and

11. Determine the form and content of emission inventories and require their submittal by any source or potential source of air contaminant emissions.

C. Rules of the Board may set de minimis limits below which a source of air contaminants may be exempted from the requirement to obtain a permit or to pay any fee, or be subject to public review. Any source so exempted, however, shall remain under jurisdiction of the Department and shall be subject to any applicable rules or general permit requirements. Such rules shall not prohibit sawmill facilities from open burning any wood waste resulting from the milling of untreated cottonwood lumber in areas that have always attained ambient air quality standards.

D. To ensure against unreasonable delay on the part of the Department, the failure of the Department to act in either the issuance, denial or renewal of a permit in a reasonable time, as determined by rule, shall be deemed to be a final permit action solely for purpose of judicial review under the Administrative Procedures Act, with regard to the applicant or any person who participated in the public review process. The Supreme Court or the district court, as the case may be, may require that action be taken by the Department on the application without additional delay. No permit, however, may be issued by default.

E. The Department shall notify, or require that any applicant notify, all states whose air quality may be affected and that are contiguous to the State of Oklahoma, or are within fifty (50) miles of the source of each permit application or proposed permit for those sources requiring permits under Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act, and shall provide an opportunity for such states to submit written recommendations respecting the issuance of the permit and its terms and conditions.

F. No person, including but not limited to the applicant, shall raise any reasonably ascertainable issue in any future proceeding, unless the same issues have been raised and documented before the close of the public comment period on the draft permit.

G. A change in ownership of any facility or source subject to permitting requirements under this section shall not necessitate any action by the Department not otherwise required by the Oklahoma Clean Air Act. Any permit applicable to such source at the time of transfer shall be enforceable in its entirety against the transferee in the same manner as it would have been against the transferor, as shall any requirement contained in any rule, or compliance schedule set forth in any variance or order regarding or applicable to such source. Provided, however, no transferee in good faith shall be held liable for penalties for violations of the transferor unless the transferee assumes all assets and liabilities through contract or other means. For the purposes of this subsection, good faith shall be construed to mean neither having actual knowledge of a previous violation ~~or~~ nor constructive knowledge which would lead a reasonable person to know of the violation. It shall be the

responsibility of the transferor to notify the Department in writing within ten (10) days of the change in ownership.

~~G.~~ H. Operating permits for new sources.

Operating permits may be issued to new sources without public review upon a proper determination by the Department that:

1. The construction permit was issued pursuant to the public review requirements of the Code and rules promulgated thereunder; and

2. The operating permit, as issued, does not differ from the construction permit in any manner which would otherwise subject the permit to public review.

SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 28 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 408, O.S.L. 1999 (28 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), is amended to read as follows:

Section 153. A. The clerks of the courts shall collect as costs in every criminal case for each offense of which the defendant is convicted, irrespective of whether or not the sentence is deferred, the following flat charges and no more, except for standing and parking violations and for charges otherwise provided for by law, which fee shall cover docketing of the case, filing of all papers, issuance of process, warrants, orders, and other services to the date of judgment:

1. For each defendant convicted of exceeding the speed limit by at least one (1) mile per hour but not more than ten (10) miles per hour, whether charged individually or jointly with others..... \$57.00
2. For each defendant convicted of a misdemeanor traffic violation other than an offense provided for in paragraph 1 or 5 of this subsection, whether charged individually or jointly with others \$73.00
3. For each defendant convicted of a misdemeanor, other than for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance or an offense provided for in paragraph 1 or 2 of this subsection, whether charged individually or jointly with others..... \$83.00
4. For each defendant convicted of a felony, other than for driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance, whether charged individually or jointly with others..... \$103.00
5. For each defendant convicted of the misdemeanor of driving under the influence of alcohol or other

intoxicating substance, whether
charged individually or conjointly
with others..... \$183.00

6. For each defendant convicted of the felony
of driving under the influence of
alcohol or other intoxicating
substance, whether charged
individually or conjointly with others..... \$183.00

7. For the services of a court reporter at
each preliminary hearing and trial
held in the case..... \$20.00

8. For each time a jury is requested \$30.00

9. A sheriff's fee for serving or endeavoring
to serve each writ, warrant, order,
process, command, or notice or
pursuing any fugitive from justice

a. within the county..... \$30.00, or
mileage as established
by the Oklahoma
Statutes, whichever
is greater, or

b. outside of the county \$30.00, or
actual, necessary
expenses, whichever
is greater

10. For the services of a language interpreter, other than an
interpreter appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma
Interpreter for the Deaf Act, at each hearing held in the case, the
actual cost of the interpreter.

B. Of the amount collected pursuant to paragraphs 2 through 5
of subsection A of this section, the sum of Three Dollars (\$3.00)
shall be deposited to the credit of the Law Library Fund pursuant to
Section 1201 et seq. of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. Prior to conviction, parties in criminal cases shall not be
required to pay, advance, or post security for the services of a
language interpreter or for the issuance or service of process to
obtain compulsory attendance of witnesses.

D. The fees collected pursuant to this section shall be
deposited into the court fund, except the following:

1. The sheriff's fee provided for in paragraph 9 of subsection
A of this section which, when collected, shall be deposited in the
Sheriff's Service Fee Account, created pursuant to the provisions of
Section 514.1 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes, of the sheriff
in the county in which service is made or attempted;

2. The sheriff's fee provided for in Section 153.2 of this
title; and

3. The witness fees paid by the district attorney pursuant to the provisions of Section 82 of this title which, if collected by the court clerk, shall be transferred to the district attorney's office in the county where witness attendance was required. Fees transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall be deposited in the district attorney's maintenance and operating expense account.

E. Costs required to be collected pursuant to this section shall not be dismissed or waived; provided, if the court determines that a person needing the services of a language interpreter is indigent, the court may waive all or part of the costs or require the payment of costs in installments.

F. As used in this section, "convicted" means any final adjudication of guilt, whether pursuant to a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or otherwise, and any deferred judgment or suspended sentence.

G. A court clerk may accept in payment for any fee, fine, or cost for violation of any traffic law a nationally recognized credit card issued to the applicant. The court clerk may add an amount equal to the amount of the service charge incurred, not to exceed four percent (4%) of the amount of ~~such~~ the payment as a service charge for the acceptance of ~~such~~ the credit card. For purposes of this paragraph, "nationally recognized credit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a credit card, credit plate, charge plate, or by any other name, issued with or without fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in obtaining goods, services, or anything else of value and which is accepted by over one thousand (1,000) merchants in this state. The court clerk shall determine which nationally recognized credit cards will be accepted as payment for fees; provided, the court clerk must ensure that no loss of state revenue will occur by the use of such ~~card~~ cards.

H. Upon receipt of payment of fines and costs for offenses charged prior to July 1, 1992, the court clerk shall apportion and pay Thirteen Dollars (\$13.00) per conviction to the court fund.

SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 42 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as amended by Section 334, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (42 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), is amended to read as follows:

Section 153. (1) The trust funds created under Section 152 of this title shall be applied to the payment of said valid lienable claims and no portion thereof shall be used for any other purpose until all lienable claims due and owing or to become due and owing shall have been paid.

(2) Any person willfully and knowingly appropriating such trust funds to a use not permitted by subsection (1) of this section, upon conviction, shall be guilty of the felony of embezzlement and shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for a period not to exceed five (5) years or by a fine not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), or by both such imprisonment and fine.

(3) If the party receiving any money under Section 152 of this title ~~shall be a corporation~~ is an entity having the characteristics of limited liability pursuant to law, such ~~corporation~~ entity and its managing officers the natural persons having the legally

enforceable duty for the management of the entity shall be liable for the proper application of such trust funds and subject to punishment under subsection (2) of this section. For purposes of this section, the natural persons subject to punishment shall be the managing officers of a corporation and the managers of a limited liability company.

(4) The existence of such trust funds shall not prohibit the filing or enforcement of a labor, mechanic or materialmen's lien against the affected real property by any lien claimant, nor shall the filing of such a lien release the holder of such funds from the obligations created under this section or Section 152 of this title.

SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 1991, Section 6-101, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 342, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 6-101), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-101. A. No person, except those hereinafter expressly exempted in Section 6-102 of this title, shall operate any motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless the person has a valid Oklahoma driver license for the class of vehicle being operated under the provisions of this title. No person shall be permitted to possess more than one valid license at any time.

B. 1. No person shall operate a Class A commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class A commercial license, except as provided in paragraph 5 of this subsection. Any person holding a valid Class A commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes A, B, C, and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

2. No person shall operate a Class B commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class B commercial license. Any person holding a valid Class B commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes B, C, and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

3. No person shall operate a Class C commercial motor vehicle unless the person is eighteen (18) years of age or older and holds a valid Class C commercial license. Any person holding a valid Class C commercial license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Classes C and D, except as provided for in paragraph 4 of this subsection.

4. No person under twenty-one (21) years of age shall be licensed to operate any motor vehicle which is required to be placarded for hazardous materials pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 172, subpart F; provided, the Department of Public Safety shall provide by rule promulgated pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, ~~Section 250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes,~~ that a person under twenty-one (21) years of age may be licensed to operate a farm vehicle or, if such person is the operator of or employed by the operator of a farm retail outlet, any vehicle which is required to be placarded for hazardous materials pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 172, subpart F, if such licensure will not result in the loss of federal funds to this state pursuant to federal law or regulation.

5. A person at least seventeen (17) years of age who successfully completes all examinations required by law may be issued by the Department:

- a. a restricted Class A commercial license which shall grant to the licensee the privilege to operate a Class A or Class B commercial motor vehicle for harvest purposes or a Class D motor vehicle, or
- b. a restricted Class B commercial license which shall grant to the licensee the privilege to operate a Class B commercial motor vehicle for harvest purposes or a Class D motor vehicle.

6. No person shall operate a Class D motor vehicle unless the person is sixteen (16) years of age or older and holds a valid Class D license, except as provided for in Section 6-102 or 6-105 of this title. Any person holding a valid Class D license shall be permitted to operate motor vehicles in Class D only.

C. Any person issued a driver license pursuant to this section may exercise the privilege thereby granted upon all streets and highways in this state.

D. No person shall operate a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or a motorized bicycle without having a valid Class A, B, C, or D license with a motorcycle endorsement. Except as otherwise provided by law, any new applicant for an original driver license shall be required to successfully complete a written examination, vision examination, and driving examination for a motorcycle as prescribed by the Department of Public Safety to be eligible for a motorcycle endorsement thereon. The driving examination for a motorcycle may be waived by the Department of Public Safety upon verification that the person has completed a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider course approved by the Department.

E. Except as otherwise provided by law, any person who lawfully possesses a valid Oklahoma driver license which is eligible for renewal shall be required to successfully complete a written examination, vision examination, and driving examination for a motorcycle as prescribed by the Department to be eligible for a motorcycle endorsement; provided, however, the Department may waive all such examinations until July 1, 2000, upon satisfactory proof that the applicant has regularly operated a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle for a minimum of two (2) years immediately preceding the application.

F. 1. Any person eighteen (18) years of age or older may apply for a restricted Class A, B, or C commercial license. The Department, after the applicant has passed all parts of the examination for and has been issued a Class D license and has successfully passed all parts of the examination for a Class A, B, or C commercial license other than the driving examination, may issue to the applicant a restricted driver license which shall entitle the applicant having immediate possession of the license to operate a Class A, B, or C commercial motor vehicle upon the public highways solely for the purpose of behind-the-wheel training in accordance with rules promulgated by the Department.

2. This restricted driver license shall be issued for a period as determined by federal regulation and shall be nonrenewable; provided, such restricted license may be suspended, revoked, canceled, or denied at the discretion of the Department for violation of the restrictions, for failing to give the required or correct information on the application, or for violation of any traffic laws of this state pertaining to the operation of a motor vehicle. Except as otherwise provided, the lawful possessor of a restricted license who has been issued a restricted license for a minimum of thirty (30) days may have the restriction requiring an accompanying driver removed by satisfactorily completing a driver's examination; provided, the removal of a restriction shall not authorize the operation of a Class A, B, or C commercial motor vehicle if such operation is otherwise prohibited by law. The Department shall cause an examination to be conducted not more than three times during the first six (6) months after the date of issuance of the restricted license and not more than one time every three (3) months thereafter upon request of the lawful possessor thereof.

G. 1. The fee charged for an approved application for an original Oklahoma driver license or an approved application for the addition of an endorsement to a current valid Oklahoma driver license shall be assessed in accordance with the following schedule:

Class A Commercial License	\$25.00
Class B Commercial License	\$15.00
Class C Commercial License	\$15.00
Class D License	\$ 4.00
Motorcycle Examination	\$ 4.00

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, all monies collected from the fees charged for Class A, B, and C commercial licenses pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of this state.

H. The fee charged for any failed examination shall be Four Dollars (\$4.00) for any license classification. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, all monies collected from such examination fees pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of this state.

I. In addition to any fee charged pursuant to the provisions of subsection G of this section, the fee charged for the issuance or renewal of an Oklahoma license shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

Class A Commercial License	\$35.00 <u>\$39.00</u>
Class B Commercial License	\$35.00 <u>\$39.00</u>
Class C Commercial License	\$25.00 <u>\$29.00</u>
Class D License	\$15.00 <u>\$19.00</u>

Four Dollars (\$4.00) of each fee charged pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited to the Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund created in Section 330.97 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

J. All original and renewal driver licenses shall expire four (4) years from the last day of the month in which the license was issued.

K. Any person sixty-two (62) years of age or older during the calendar year of issuance or renewal of a Class D license or motorcycle endorsement shall be charged the following prorated fee:

Age 62	\$11.25
Age 63	\$ 7.50
Age 64	\$ 3.75
Age 65	-0-

L. The Department of Public Safety and the Oklahoma Tax Commission are authorized to promulgate rules for the issuance and renewal of driver licenses authorized pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6-101 through 6-309 of this title. Applications, upon forms approved by the Department of Public Safety, for such licenses shall be handled by the motor license agents; provided, the Department of Public Safety is authorized to assume these duties in any county of this state. Each motor license agent accepting applications for driver licenses shall receive Two Dollars (\$2.00) to be deducted from the total collected for each license or renewal application accepted. The two-dollar fee received by the motor license agent shall be used for operating expenses.

M. ~~For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1994, and for each fiscal year thereafter, notwithstanding~~ Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title and subsection L of this section and except as provided in ~~subsection~~ subsections G and I of this section, the first Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) of all monies collected pursuant to this section shall be paid by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to the State Treasurer to be deposited in the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury.

~~N.~~ The next Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) of monies collected pursuant to this section shall be paid by the ~~Oklahoma~~ Tax Commission to the State Treasurer to be deposited each fiscal year under the provisions of this section to the credit of the Department of Public Safety Revolving Fund for the purpose of the Statewide Law Enforcement Communications System. All other monies collected in excess of Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$560,000.00) each fiscal year shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title, except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection L~~ of this section.

~~O.~~ N. If funds are appropriated for purposes specified by this subsection, the Department of Public Safety may implement a procedure whereby images displayed on licenses issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6-101 through 6-309 of this title can be maintained by the Department to create photographs which may be used only by a law enforcement agency for purposes of criminal

investigations, missing person investigations, or any law enforcement purpose which is deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Public Safety. The computer system acquired for this purpose must conform to industry standards for interoperability and open architecture. The Department of Public Safety may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 1991, Section 11-902, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 395, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 11-902), is amended to read as follows:

Section 11-902. A. It is unlawful and punishable as provided in this section for any person to drive, operate, or be in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state who:

1. Has a blood or breath alcohol concentration, as defined in Section 756 of this title, of ten-hundredths (0.10) or more at the time of a test of such person's blood or breath administered within two (2) hours after the arrest of such person;

2. Is under the influence of alcohol;

3. Is under the influence of any intoxicating substance other than alcohol which may render such person incapable of safely driving or operating a motor vehicle; or

4. Is under the combined influence of alcohol and any other intoxicating substance which may render such person incapable of safely driving or operating a motor vehicle.

B. The fact that any person charged with a violation of this section is or has been lawfully entitled to use alcohol or a controlled dangerous substance or any other intoxicating substance shall not constitute a defense against any charge of violating this section.

C. Every person who is convicted of a violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor for the first offense and shall be punished by imprisonment in jail for not less than ten (10) days nor more than one (1) year, and a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Any person who, within ten (10) years after a previous conviction of a violation of this section or a violation pursuant to the provisions of any law of another state prohibiting the offense provided in subsection A of this section, is convicted of a second offense pursuant to the provisions of this section or has a prior conviction in a municipal criminal court of record for the violation of a municipal ordinance prohibiting the offense provided for in subsection A of this section and within ten (10) years of such municipal conviction is convicted pursuant to the provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than one (1) year and not to exceed five (5) years and a fine of not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00). Any person who is convicted of a second felony offense pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than one (1) year and not to exceed seven (7) years and a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Any person who is convicted of a third or subsequent felony offense pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be

sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections for not less than one (1) year and not to exceed ten (10) years and a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Any person who, within ten (10) years after a previous conviction of a violation of murder in the second degree or manslaughter in the first degree in which the death was caused as a result of driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance, is convicted of a violation of this section shall be deemed guilty of a felony.

Provided, however, a conviction from another state shall not be used to enhance punishment pursuant to the provisions of this subsection if that conviction is based on a blood or breath alcohol concentration of less than ten-hundredths (0.10).

In any case in which a defendant is charged with a second or subsequent driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicating substance offense within any municipality with a municipal court other than a court of record, the charge shall be presented to the county's district attorney and filed with the district court of the county within which the municipality is located.

D. When a person is sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections, the person shall be processed through the Lexington Assessment and Reception Center or at a place determined by the Director of the Department of Corrections. The Department of Corrections shall classify and assign the person to one or more of the following:

1. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 612 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

2. A correctional facility operated by the Department of Corrections.

E. In the event a felony conviction does not result in the person being sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections, the person shall be required to serve not less than ten (10) days of community service, or to undergo inpatient rehabilitation or treatment in a public or private facility with at least minimum security for a period of not less than forty-eight (48) consecutive hours, notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 991a, 991a-2 and 996.3 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

F. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the Department of Corrections may certify to the Department of Public Safety that a person has successfully completed a treatment program and is successfully complying with any follow-up treatment required by the Department of Corrections. In such case, the person shall be given credit therefor as fulfillment of all provisions of Section 3-453 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes and shall be permitted to apply for reinstatement of any suspension, revocation, cancellation or denial order withdrawing a privilege to drive.

G. The Department of Public Safety is hereby authorized to reinstate any suspended or revoked license when the applicant meets the statutory requirements which affect the existing driving privilege.

H. Except as provided in subsection J of this section, any person who is found guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section shall be ordered to participate in, prior to sentencing, an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program offered by a facility or qualified practitioner certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for the purpose of evaluating the receptivity to treatment and prognosis of the person. The court shall order the person to reimburse the facility or qualified practitioner for the evaluation. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall establish a fee schedule, based upon a person's ability to pay, provided the fee for an evaluation shall not exceed Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00). The evaluation shall be conducted at a certified facility, the office of a qualified practitioner or at another location as ordered by the court. The facility or qualified practitioner shall, within seventy-two (72) hours from the time the person is assessed, submit a written report to the court for the purpose of assisting the court in its final sentencing determination. If such report indicates that the evaluation shows that the defendant would benefit from a treatment program, the court shall, as a condition of any sentence imposed, including deferred and suspended sentences, require the person to participate in an alcohol and drug substance abuse treatment program at an approved treatment facility as defined by Section 3-403 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes. No person, agency or facility operating an alcohol and drug substance abuse evaluation program certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall solicit or refer any person evaluated pursuant to this section for any treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service in which such person, agency or facility has a vested interest; however, this provision shall not be construed to prohibit the court from ordering participation in or any person from voluntarily utilizing a treatment program or alcohol and drug substance abuse service offered by such person, agency or facility. If a person is sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections and the court has received a written evaluation report pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, the report shall be furnished to the Department of Corrections with the judgment and sentence. Any evaluation report submitted to the court pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be handled in a manner which will keep such report confidential from the general public's review. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the court from ordering judgment and sentence in the event the defendant fails or refuses to comply with an order of the court to obtain the evaluation required by this subsection. As used in this subsection, "qualified practitioner" means a person with at least a bachelor's degree in substance abuse treatment, mental health or a related health care field and at least two (2) years' experience in providing alcohol treatment, other drug abuse treatment, or both alcohol and other drug abuse treatment who is certified each year by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide these assessments. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the court from ordering judgment and sentence and any other sanction authorized by law for failure or refusal to comply with an order of the court.

I. Any person who is found guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section may be required by the court to attend a victims impact panel program, if such a program is offered in the county where the judgment is rendered, and to pay a fee, not less than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) nor more than Twenty-five Dollars

(\$25.00) as set by the governing authority of the program and approved by the court, to the program to offset the cost of participation by the defendant, if in the opinion of the court the defendant has the ability to pay such fee.

J. Any person who is found guilty of a felony violation of the provisions of this section, who receives a suspended sentence and who does not already have an ignition interlock device installed pursuant to Section 754.1 of this title, shall as a condition of that suspended sentence be required to have installed an ignition interlock device approved by the Department of Public Safety at the person's own expense for a period of not less than six (6) months nor more than three (3) years. The ignition interlock device shall be placed on the motor vehicle owned by the defendant or on the vehicle most regularly operated by the defendant. The person shall pay the monthly maintenance fee for the ignition interlock device as a condition of the suspended sentence. The installation of an ignition interlock device, as required by this subsection, shall not be construed to authorize the person to drive unless the person is otherwise eligible to drive.

K. Any person who, within ten (10) years after a previous conviction of a violation of this section or a violation pursuant to the provisions of law of another state prohibiting the offense provided in subsection A of this section or a violation of a municipal ordinance prohibiting the offense provided in subsection A of this section, pleads guilty or nolo contendere or is convicted of a violation of this section shall not be required to undergo the alcohol and drug substance evaluation program required by subsection H of this section. The court shall, as a condition of any sentence imposed, including deferred and suspended sentences, require the person to participate in an alcohol and drug substance abuse treatment program pursuant to Section 3-452 of Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes.

L. Any person who is found guilty of a violation of the provisions of this section who has been sentenced by the court to perform any type of community service shall not be permitted to pay a fine in lieu of performing the community service.

SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 1991, Section 1115, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 232, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1115), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1115. A. Unless provided otherwise by statute, the following vehicles shall be registered annually: manufactured homes, mopeds, motorcycles, vehicles registered with a permanent nonexpiring license plate pursuant to Section 1113 of this title, commercial vehicles registered pursuant to the provisions of the International Registration Plan and commercial vehicles registered pursuant to the installment plan provided in subsection H of Section 1133 of this title. The following schedule shall apply for such vehicle purchased in this state or brought into this state by residents of this state:

1. Between January 1 and March 31, the payment of the full annual fee shall be required;

2. Between April 1 and June 30, the payment of three-fourths (3/4) the annual fee shall be required;

3. Between July 1 and September 30, the payment of one-half (1/2) the annual fee shall be required; and

4. Between October 1 and November 30, one-fourth (1/4) the annual fee shall be required.

License plates or decals for each year shall be made available on December 1 of each preceding year for such vehicles; and any person who purchases such vehicle, manufactured home or motorcycle between December 1 and December 31 of any year shall register it within thirty (30) days from date of purchase and obtain a license plate or Manufactured Home License Registration Decal, as appropriate, for the following calendar year upon payment of the full annual fee. Unless provided otherwise by statute, all annual license, registration and other fees for such vehicles shall be due and payable on January 1 of each year and if not paid by February 1 shall be deemed delinquent.

B. 1. All vehicles, other than those required to be registered pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of this section, shall be registered on a staggered system of registration and licensing on a monthly series basis to distribute the work of registering such vehicles as uniformly and expeditiously as practicable throughout the calendar year. After the end of the month following the expiration date, the license and registration fees for the new registration period shall become delinquent.

2. Effective December 1, 2000, all fleet vehicles registered pursuant to new applications approved pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 of this title shall be registered on a staggered system monthly basis. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall notify in writing, prior to the 2001 renewal period, all registrants with established accounts, who will have the option of changing their registration expiration date or remaining with their existing registration expiration date.

3. Applicants seeking to establish Oklahoma as the base jurisdiction for registering apportioned fleet vehicles after December 1, 2000, and registrants converting an established account to the staggered registration system shall have a one-time option of registering for a period of not less than four (4) nor greater than fifteen (15) months. Subsequent renewals for these registrants will be for twelve (12) months, expiring on the last day of the month chosen by the registrant under the one-time option as provided herein. In addition, registrants with multiple fleets may designate a different registration month of expiration for each fleet.

As used in this section, "fleet" shall have the same meaning as set forth in the International Registration Plan.

C. The following penalties shall apply for delinquent registration fees:

1. For fleet vehicles required to be registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 of this title for which a properly completed application for registration has not been received by the Tax Commission by the last day of the month following the registration expiration date, a penalty of thirty percent (30%) of the Oklahoma portion of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), whichever is greater, shall be assessed. The

license and registration cards issued by the Tax Commission for each fleet vehicle shall be valid until two (2) months after the registration expiration date;

2. For commercial vehicles registered under the provisions of subsection B of this section, except those vehicles registered pursuant to Section 1133.1 of this title, a penalty shall be assessed after the last day of the month following the registration expiration date. A penalty of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day shall be added to the license fee of such vehicle and shall accrue for one (1) month. Thereafter, the penalty shall be thirty percent (30%) of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), whichever is greater;

3. For new or used manufactured homes, not registered within thirty (30) days from date of purchase or date such manufactured home was brought into this state, a penalty equal to the registration fee shall be assessed; or

4. Except as provided in subsection H of Section 1133 of this title, for all other vehicles a penalty shall be assessed after the last day of the month following the expiration date. A penalty of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day shall be added to the license fee of such vehicle and shall accrue for three (3) months. Thereafter, the penalty shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), provided that the penalty shall not exceed the amount equal to the license fee of such vehicle.

D. In addition to all other penalties provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act, Section 1101 et seq. of this title, the following penalties shall be imposed and collected by any Revenue Enforcement Officer of the Tax Commission upon finding any commercial vehicle being operated in violation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act.

The penalties shall apply to any commercial vehicle found to be operating in violation of the following provisions:

1. A penalty in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be imposed upon any person found to be operating a commercial vehicle sixty (60) days after the end of the month in which the license plate or registration credentials expire without the current year license plate or registration credential displayed;

2. A penalty in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be imposed for any person operating a commercial vehicle subject to the provisions of Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title without the proper display of, or, carrying in such commercial vehicle, the identification credentials issued by the Tax Commission as evidence of payment of the fee or tax as provided in Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title; and

3. A penalty in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall be imposed for any person that fails to register any commercial vehicle subject to the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act.

E. The Tax Commission shall assess the registration fees and penalties for the year or years a vehicle was not registered. For vehicles not registered for two or more years, the registration fees

and penalties shall be due only for the current year and one (1) previous year. The Tax Commission shall waive road user fees and penalties for failure to register a vehicle, provided road user fees shall not be waived for the current registration year in cases where said vehicle is proven to have been inoperable during the registration period. Proof of inoperability may be by, but is not limited to, submission of parts or repair receipts or such other evidence deemed appropriate by the Tax Commission.

F. In addition to any other penalty prescribed by law, there shall be a penalty in the amount of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) upon a finding by a revenue enforcement officer that:

1. The registration of a vehicle registered pursuant to Section 1132 of this title is expired and it is sixty (60) or more days after the end of the month of expiration; or

2. The registration fees for a vehicle that is subject to the registration fees pursuant to Section 1132 of this title have not been paid.

G. If a vehicle is donated to a nonprofit charitable organization which organization will transfer such donated vehicle to a current or potential recipient of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families as determined by the Department of Human Services and which vehicle will be used primarily for transportation for job-related or work-related activities by such recipient, the nonprofit charitable organization shall be exempt from paying any current or past due registration fees, excise tax, title or transfer fees, and penalties and interest.

SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.5, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 415, O.S.L. 1999 (59 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1750.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1750.5 A. Licenses authorized to be issued by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) shall be as follows:

1. Security Agency License;
2. Investigative Agency License;
3. Private Investigator License (unarmed);
4. Security Guard License (unarmed);
5. Armed Security Guard License; and
6. Special Event License (unarmed).

B. Any qualified applicant meeting the requirements for more than one of the positions of private investigator, security guard, or armed security guard may be issued a separate license for each position for which qualified, or in the discretion of the Council, a combination license provided the required license fees are paid.

C. A private investigator may carry a firearm, if the private investigator also performs the functions of an armed security guard, under the authority of the armed security guard license. If the

private investigator performs no functions of an armed security guard, the Council may add an endorsement to the license of the private investigator that states "Firearms Authorized", in lieu of the armed security guard license, if the private investigator completes the same training and testing requirements of the armed security guard. The Council will charge the same fee for the "Firearms Authorized" endorsement on the private investigators license as the cost of the armed security guard license. Any person issued a private investigator license with a firearms authorized endorsement may carry a concealed firearm when on and off duty, provided the person keeps the firearm concealed from view and is in possession of a valid driver license and a valid private investigator license with a firearms authorization endorsement.

D. Any identification card issued to a person meeting the license requirements for an armed security guard shall be distinct and shall explicitly state that the person is authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to the provisions of Section 1750.1 et seq. of this title. Upon receipt of the license and identification card, the armed security guard is authorized to carry a firearm in the performance of his or her duties subject to the provisions of Section 1750.1 et seq. of this title and the rules promulgated by the Council.

E. The Council may issue a conditional license to a person employed by a security or investigative agency as a trainee for a security guard, armed security guard, or private investigator position, when the person has submitted a properly completed application, made under oath, subject to the following conditions:

1. A conditional license shall authorize employees to perform the same functions that regular licensees perform, but subject to supervision by the employing agency as the Council may prescribe;

2. The holder of a conditional license shall complete the necessary training requirements within one hundred eighty (180) days from the effective date of the conditional license, after which the conditional license shall expire;

3. The holder of a conditional license as an armed security guard shall not carry a firearm in the performance of duties until after completing a course of firearms training as prescribed by the Council, and having been issued a regular license by the Council;

4. A conditional license may be renewed at the discretion of the Council, if necessary to allow an applicant to complete any training required for a regular license; and

5. When the Council finds that a conditional license holder has completed the required training and is otherwise qualified for a license pursuant to the provisions of Section 1750.1 et seq. of this title, the Council shall issue a regular license.

F. A Security Agency License may be issued to an individual, corporation, or other legal entity meeting the following qualifications:

1. If the license is to be issued in the name of a legal entity other than a natural person, the applicant must furnish proof that

the entity is legally recognized, such as the issuance of a corporate charter; and

2. The executive officer, manager, or other person in charge of supervising security guards in the performance of their duties shall be a licensed security guard.

G. An Investigative Agency License may be issued to an individual, corporation, or other legal entity meeting the following qualifications:

1. If the license is to be issued in the name of a legal entity other than a natural person, the applicant must furnish proof that the entity is legally recognized, such as the issuance of a corporate charter;

2. Any person, otherwise qualified, may own a private investigation agency; and

3. A self-employed private investigator who employs no other investigators shall also be licensed as an investigative agency, but shall only be required to be insured or bonded as a self-employed private investigator.

H. A Security Guard License, Armed Security Guard License, Private Investigator License, or combination thereof may be issued to an applicant meeting the following qualifications. The applicant shall:

1. Be a citizen of the United States or an alien legally residing in the United States;

2. Be at least eighteen (18) years of age, except that an applicant for an Armed Security Guard License shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

3. Have successfully completed training requirements for the license applied for, as prescribed by the Council;

4. Be of good moral character;

5. Not have a record of a felony conviction;

6. Not have a record of conviction for larceny, theft, false pretense, fraud, embezzlement, false personation of an officer, any offense involving moral turpitude, any offense involving a minor as a victim, any nonconsensual sex offense, any offense involving the possession, use, distribution, or sale of a controlled dangerous substance, any offense involving a firearm, or any other offense as prescribed by the Council, as provided herein.

a. If any conviction which disqualifies an applicant occurred more than five (5) years prior to the application date and the Council is convinced the offense constituted an isolated incident and the applicant has been rehabilitated, the Council may, in its discretion, waive the conviction disqualification as provided for in this paragraph and issue an unarmed security guard license or a private investigator's license, but shall not issue an armed guard license,

to the applicant if the applicant is otherwise qualified, unless the felony involved the use of a firearm or was violent in nature.

- b. If an Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation records check and a local records check reveal that there are no felony convictions, criminal convictions involving moral turpitude, or any other disqualifying convictions as specified in the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act, Section 1750.1 et seq. of this title, or prescribed by the Council, then the Council may conditionally issue an armed security guard license pending completion of the criminal history and background check.
- c. Under oath, the applicant shall certify that he or she has no disqualifying convictions as specified in the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act or by the Council.
- d. The applicant shall further meet all other qualifications.
- e. If upon completion of the required background investigation it is discovered that a disqualifying conviction exists, the Council shall immediately revoke the armed guard license of the applicant.

7. Make a statement whether the applicant has been adjudicated incompetent or committed to a mental institution, and a statement regarding any history of illegal drug use or alcohol abuse; and

8. Make a statement regarding misdemeanor domestic violence charges.

I. A special event license may be issued to an employee of a security agency who is hired on a temporary basis as an unarmed security guard for a particular event. An application for a special event license shall be made by the agency employing the applicant. The agency shall certify to the Council that the applicant meets the qualifications for security guards, pursuant to subsection H of this section.

J. 1. All persons and agencies shall obtain and maintain liability coverage in accordance with the following minimum standards:

- a. general liability insurance coverage for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, with endorsements for personal injury including false arrest, libel, slander, and invasion of privacy, or
- b. a surety bond that allows persons to recover for actionable injuries, loss, or damage as a result of the willful, or wrongful acts or omissions of the principal and protects this state, its agents, officers and employees from judgments against the principal or insured licensee, and is further conditioned upon the faithful and honest conduct of the principal's business.

2. Liability coverages and bonds outlined in this section shall be in the minimum amounts of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for agencies, Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for armed security guards and private investigators with the firearms authorization, or combination armed license; and Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for unarmed security guards and self-employed unarmed private investigators who employ no other investigators.

3. Security agencies and investigative agencies shall ensure that all employees of these agencies have met the minimum liability coverages as prescribed in this section.

4. Insurance policies and bonds issued pursuant to this section shall not be modified or canceled unless ten (10) days' prior written notice is given to the Council. All persons and agencies insured or bonded pursuant to this section shall be insured or bonded by an insurance carrier or a surety company licensed in the state in which the insurance or bond was purchased, or in this state.

5. In lieu of the requirements of this subsection, the Council may accept a written statement from a corporation which is registered with the Oklahoma Secretary of State attesting that the corporation self-insures the general operation of business for the types of liability set out in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection.

K. Upon written notice, any license may be placed on inactive status.

L. Similar or duplicate agency names will not be issued. Each agency name must be distinguishably different.

SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4021, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 332, O.S.L. 1999 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 4021), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4021. A. The application required for the initial and annual registration of a vessel or a motor shall be accompanied by payment of the following fees:

1. Where the manufacturer's factory delivered price, or in the absence of such price being published in a recognized publication for the use of marine dealers and/or for purposes of insurance and financing firms, where the provable original or new cost of all materials, is One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) or less, the registration and license fee for the first and for each succeeding year's registration shall be One Dollar (\$1.00) ~~;~~

2. Where the manufacturer's factory delivered price, or in the absence of such price being published as provided in paragraph 1 of this section, where the value of such vessel or motor is determined and fixed as above required and, is in excess of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), there shall be added to the fee of One Dollar (\$1.00), the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or any fraction thereof, in excess of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) provided such fee shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) ~~;~~

3. After the first year's registration in this state under ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act of any new vessel

or new motor under paragraph 2 of this ~~section~~ subsection, the registration for the second year shall be ninety percent (90%) of the fee computed and assessed hereunder for the first year, and thereafter, such fee shall be computed and assessed at ninety percent (90%) of the previous year's fee and shall be so computed and assessed for the next nine (9) successive years provided such fee shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) ~~;~~ ;

4. a. ~~(1)~~ The initial and annual registration fee for any vessel which is a part of a fleet used for lodging and for which a rental fee and sales tax are collected shall be Forty Dollars (\$40.00) in lieu of the fees required by paragraphs 1 through 3 of this ~~section~~ subsection.

~~(2)~~ For the purpose of this paragraph, "fleet" means twenty or more vessels operated by a business organization from a single anchorage.

~~b.~~ The fee provided for in this paragraph may be reduced annually to zero until the total reduction equals the difference between the sum of the fees paid pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 3 of this subsection for the two registration years preceding ~~the effective date of this act~~ January 1, 1990, and the fee provided for in this paragraph ~~;~~ ;

5. ~~Any~~ For any vessel or motor owned and numbered, registered or licensed prior to ~~the effective date of this act~~ January 1, 1990, in this or any other state, or in the absence of such registration upon proof of the year, model and age of same, the registration fee shall be computed and assessed at the rate hereinabove provided for a new vessel or motor based on the value thereof determined as provided in this subsection, but reduced as though same had been registered for each prior year of its existence. Except as provided in paragraph 1 of this subsection, the registration fee for the eleventh year computed in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall be the amount of the fee to be assessed for such eleventh year and shall be the minimum annual registration fee for such vessel or motor for any subsequent year ~~;~~ ; and

~~6. As used herein the manufacturer's factory delivered price shall represent the recommended retail selling price and shall not mean the wholesale price to a dealer.~~

~~7.~~ The initial and annual registration fee for any vessel or motor which is not being used in a trade or business or for any commercial purpose and is owned by:

- a. a nonresident member of the Armed Forces of the United States assigned to duty in this state in compliance with official military or naval orders,
- b. a resident member of the Armed Forces of the United States assigned to duty in this state in compliance with official military or naval orders,
- c. the spouse, who resides in Oklahoma, of a resident or nonresident member of the Armed Forces of the United States serving in a foreign country, or

- d. any Oklahoma resident who is stationed out of state due to an official assignment of the Armed Forces of the United States,

shall be the lesser of either a Fifteen Dollar (\$15.00) registration fee or the fee computed and assessed for vessels or motors of similar age and model pursuant to this section.

~~8.~~ B. As used in this section, the term "manufacturer's factory delivered price" shall represent the recommended retail selling price and shall not mean the wholesale price to a dealer.

C. The Tax Commission shall assess the registration fees and penalties for the year or years a vessel or motor was not registered as provided in the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act. For vessels or motors not registered for two (2) or more years, the registration fees and penalties shall be due only for the current year and one (1) previous year.

~~9.~~ D. Upon each vessel or motor repossessed by a mortgagee, a fee of Forty-six Dollars (\$46.00) shall be assessed. This fee shall be in lieu of any applicable vessel or motor excise tax and registration fees. Each motor license agent accepting applications for certificates of title for such vessel or motors shall receive Seven Dollars (\$7.00) to be deducted from the license fee specified in this paragraph for each application accepted.

~~B.~~ E. All vessels or motors owned by the State of Oklahoma, its agencies or departments, or political subdivisions thereof, or which under the law would be exempt from direct ad valorem taxation, shall be registered pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act for an annual fee of Two Dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) irrespective of whether registered by a motor license agent or the Tax Commission.

~~C.~~ F. All vessels and motors owned by Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of U.S.A., and the Campfire Girls, devoted exclusively to youth programs emphasizing physical fitness, character development and citizenship training, are hereby exempt from the payment of registration fees required by this section. Provided all of ~~said~~ such vessels or motors shall be registered and shall otherwise comply with the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act.

~~D.~~ G. A credit shall be allowed with respect to the fee for registration of any new vessel or new motor, when such new vessel or motor is a replacement for:

1. A new original vessel or new original motor which is stolen from the purchaser/registant within ninety (90) days of the date of purchase of the original vessel or new original motor as certified by a police report or other documentation as required by the Tax Commission; or

2. A defective new original vessel or new original motor returned by the purchaser/registant to the seller within six (6) months of the date of purchase of the defective new original vessel or new original motor as certified by the manufacturer.

~~Said~~ Such credit shall be in the amount of the fee for registration which was paid for the new original vessel or new original motor and shall be applied to the registration fee for the replacement vessel or motor. In no event will said credit be refunded.

~~E. H.~~ Upon proper proof of a lost certificate of registration being made to the Tax Commission or one of its motor license agents, accompanied by an application therefor and payment of the fees required by the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act, a duplicate certificate of registration shall be issued to ~~said~~ the applicant. The charge for such duplicate certificate of registration shall be Two Dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25), which charge shall be in addition to any other fees imposed by Section ~~22~~ 4022 of this ~~act~~ title for any such vessel or motor.

I. In addition to any other fees levied by the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act, there is levied and there shall be paid to the Tax Commission a fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) upon every vessel or motor for which a registration or license fee is required pursuant to the provisions of this section. The fee shall accrue and shall be collected upon each vessel or motor under the same circumstances and shall be payable in the same manner and times as apply to vessel and motor licenses and registrations under the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act; provided, the fee shall be paid in full for the then current year at the time any vehicle is first registered in a calendar year.

Monies collected pursuant to this subsection shall be apportioned by the Tax Commission to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund created in Section 330.97 of this title.

The collection and payment of the fee shall be a prerequisite to license or registration of any vessel or motor.

SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 1991, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 9, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 1999 (68 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1357), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1357. Exemptions - General.

There are hereby specifically exempted from the tax levied by Section 1350 et seq. of this title:

1. Transportation of school pupils to and from elementary schools or high schools in motor or other vehicles;

2. Transportation of persons where the fare of each person does not exceed One Dollar (\$1.00), or local transportation of persons within the corporate limits of a municipality except by taxicabs;

3. Sales for resale to persons engaged in the business of reselling the articles purchased, whether within or without the state, provided that such sales to residents of this state are made to persons to whom sales tax permits have been issued as provided in Section 1350 et seq. of this title. This exemption shall not apply to the sales of articles made to persons holding permits when such persons purchase items for their use and which they are not regularly engaged in the business of reselling; neither shall this exemption apply to sales of tangible personal property to peddlers,

solicitors and other salespersons who do not have an established place of business and a sales tax permit. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall apply to sales of motor fuel or diesel fuel to a Group Five vendor, but the use of such motor fuel or diesel fuel by the Group Five vendor shall not be exempt from the tax levied by Section 1350 et seq. of this title. The purchase of motor fuel or diesel fuel is exempt from sales tax when the motor fuel is for shipment outside this state and consumed by a common carrier by rail in the conduct of its business. The sales tax shall apply to the purchase of motor fuel or diesel fuel in Oklahoma by a common carrier by rail when such motor fuel is purchased for fueling, within this state, of any locomotive or other motorized flanged wheel equipment;

4. Sales of advertising space in newspapers and periodicals and billboard advertising service, and any advertising through the electronic media, including radio, television and cable television, and the servicing of any advertising devices;

5. Eggs, feed, supplies, machinery and equipment purchased by persons regularly engaged in the business of raising worms, fish, any insect or any other form of terrestrial or aquatic animal life and used for the purpose of raising same for marketing. This exemption shall only be granted and extended to the purchaser when the items are to be used and in fact are used in the raising of animal life as set out above. Each purchaser shall certify, in writing, on the invoice or sales ticket retained by the vendor that the purchaser is regularly engaged in the business of raising such animal life and that the items purchased will be used only in such business. The vendor shall certify to the Oklahoma Tax Commission that the price of the items has been reduced to grant the full benefit of the exemption. Violation hereof by the purchaser or vendor shall be a misdemeanor;

6. Sale of natural or artificial gas and electricity, and associated delivery or transmission services, when sold exclusively for residential use after December 31, 1980. Provided, nothing herein shall be construed as limiting or prohibiting cities and towns, and counties levying a tax pursuant to the provisions of Section 1370.2 of this title, from levying and collecting taxes on the sale of natural or artificial gas and electricity. Provided further, any sales tax levied by a city or town, or a county levying a tax pursuant to the provisions of Section 1370.2 of this title, on natural or artificial gas and electricity shall be in effect regardless of ordinance or contractual provisions referring to previously imposed state sales tax on such items;

7. In addition to the exemptions authorized by Section 1357.6 of this title, sales of medicines or drugs prescribed for the treatment of human beings by a person licensed to prescribe the medicines or drugs. Provided, this exemption shall not apply to proprietary or patent medicines as defined by Section 353.1 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

8. Transfers of title or possession of empty, partially filled, or filled returnable oil and chemical drums to any person who is not regularly engaged in the business of selling, reselling or otherwise transferring empty, partially filled, or filled returnable oil drums;

9. Sales of one-way utensils, paper napkins, paper cups, disposable hot containers and other one-way carry out materials to a vendor of meals or beverages;

10. Sales of food or food products for home consumption which are purchased in whole or in part with coupons issued pursuant to the federal food stamp program as authorized by Sections 2011 through 2029 of Title 7 of the United States Code, as to that portion purchased with such coupons. The exemption provided for such sales shall be inapplicable to such sales upon the effective date of any federal law that removes the requirement of the exemption as a condition for participation by the state in the federal food stamp program;

11. Sales of food or food products, or any equipment or supplies used in the preparation of the food or food products to or by an organization which:

- a. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which provides and delivers prepared meals for home consumption to elderly or homebound persons as part of a program commonly known as "Meals on Wheels" or "Mobile Meals", or
- b. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which receives federal funding pursuant to the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, for the purpose of providing nutrition programs for the care and benefit of elderly persons;

12. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by organizations which are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which are primarily involved in the collection and distribution of food and other household products to other organizations which are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), which facilitate the distribution of such products to the needy, except sales made in the course of business for profit or savings, competing with other persons engaged in the same or similar business;

13. Sales of food, food products, or clothing to children's homes which are located on church-owned property and are operated by organizations exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3);

14. Sales of computers, data processing equipment, related peripherals and telephone, telegraph or telecommunications service and equipment for use in a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility. For purposes of this paragraph, "qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility" means a new or expanding facility primarily engaged in aircraft repair, building or rebuilding whether or not on a factory basis, whose total cost of construction exceeds the sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and which employs at least two hundred fifty (250) new full-time-equivalent employees, as certified by the Oklahoma Employment

Security Commission, upon completion of the facility. In order to qualify for the exemption provided for by this paragraph, the cost of the items purchased by the qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility shall equal or exceed the sum of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00);

15. Sales of tangible personal property consumed or incorporated in the construction or expansion of a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility as defined in paragraph 14 of this section. For purposes of this paragraph, sales made to a contractor or subcontractor that has previously entered into a contractual relationship with a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility for construction or expansion of such a facility shall be considered sales made to a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility;

16. Sales of any interstate telecommunications services which:

- a. entitle the subscriber to inward or outward calling respectively between a station associated with an access line in the local telephone system area or a station directly connected to any interexchange carrier's facilities and telephone or radiotelephone stations in diverse geographical locations specified by the subscriber, or
- b. entitle the subscriber to private communications services which allow exclusive or priority use of a communications channel or group of channels between exchanges;

17. Sales of railroad track spikes manufactured and sold for use in this state in the construction or repair of railroad tracks, switches, sidings and turnouts;

18. Sales of aircraft and aircraft parts provided such sales occur at a qualified aircraft maintenance facility. As used in this paragraph, "qualified aircraft maintenance facility" means a facility operated by an air common carrier at which there were employed at least two thousand (2,000) full-time-equivalent employees in the preceding year as certified by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission and which is primarily related to the fabrication, repair, alteration, modification, refurbishing, maintenance, building or rebuilding of commercial aircraft or aircraft parts used in air common carriage. For purposes of this paragraph, "air common carrier" shall also include members of an affiliated group as defined by Section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 1504;

19. Sales of machinery and equipment purchased and used by persons and establishments primarily engaged in computer services and data processing:

- a. as defined under Industrial Group Numbers 7372 and 7373 of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual, latest version, which derive at least fifty percent (50%) of their annual gross revenues from the sale of a product or service to an out-of-state buyer or consumer, and

- b. as defined under Industrial Group Number 7374 of the SIC Manual, latest version, which derive at least eighty percent (80%) of their annual gross revenues from the sale of a product or service to an out-of-state buyer or consumer.

Eligibility for the exemption set out in this paragraph shall be established, subject to review by the Tax Commission, by annually filing an affidavit with the Tax Commission stating that the facility so qualifies and such information as required by the Tax Commission. For purposes of determining whether annual gross revenues are derived from sales to out-of-state buyers or consumers, all sales to the federal government shall be considered to be to an out-of-state buyer or consumer;

20. Sales of prosthetic devices to an individual for use by such individual. For purposes of this paragraph, "prosthetic device" means a device which replaces a missing part of the human body and shall include any supplies physically connected to the device;

21. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a motion picture or television production company to be used or consumed in connection with an eligible production. For purposes of this paragraph, "eligible production" means a documentary, special, music video, or a television program that will serve as a pilot for or be a segment of an ongoing dramatic or situation comedy series filmed or taped for network or national or regional syndication or a feature-length motion picture intended for theatrical release or for network or national or regional syndication or broadcast. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to sales occurring on or after July 1, 1996;

22. Sales of diesel fuel sold for consumption by commercial vessels, barges and other commercial watercraft;

23. ~~Beginning July 1, 1998, sales~~ Sales of tangible personal property or services to tax-exempt independent nonprofit biomedical research foundations that provide educational programs for Oklahoma science students and teachers and to tax-exempt independent nonprofit community blood banks headquartered in this state;

24. Effective May 6, 1992, sales of wireless telecommunications equipment to a vendor who subsequently transfers the equipment at no charge or for a discounted charge to a consumer as part of a promotional package or as an inducement to commence or continue a contract for wireless telecommunications services; ~~and~~

25. Effective January 1, 1991, leases of rail transportation cars to haul coal to coal-fired plants located in this state which generate electric power; and

26. Beginning July 1, 2000, sales of aircraft engine repairs, modification, and replacement parts, sales of aircraft frame repairs and modification, aircraft interior modification, and paint, and sales of services employed in the repair, modification and replacement of parts of aircraft engines, aircraft frame and interior repair and modification, and paint. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall be limited to aircraft repairs, modification, and replacement parts for aircraft weighing more than

twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) pounds and less than one hundred thousand (100,000) pounds and which aircraft are brought into this state exclusively for such repairs or modification. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall be limited to repairs or modifications made by a new or expanded aircraft repair facility. As used in this paragraph, the term "aircraft" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in Section 6001 of this title. The term "new or expanded aircraft repair facility" shall mean any new or expanded facility which repairs, modifies or replaces aircraft parts in which more than Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) was invested to establish the new facility or expand an existing facility and which construction was commenced or was in progress on or after January 1, 1999.

SECTION 16. AMENDATORY Section 7, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 14, Chapter 390, O.S.L. 1999 (68 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 3607), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3607. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a qualified establishment receives an incentive payment pursuant to the provisions of ~~this act~~ Section 3601 et seq. of this title, neither the qualified establishment nor its contractors or subcontractors shall be eligible to receive the credits or exemptions provided for in the following provisions of law in connection with the activity for which the incentive payment was received:

1. Paragraphs 14 and 15 of Section 1357 of this title;
2. Paragraph 7 of Section 1359 of this title;
3. Section 2357.4 of this title;
4. Section 2357.7 of this title;
5. Section 2-11-303 of Title 27A of the Oklahoma Statutes;
6. Section 2357.22 of this title;
7. Section 2357.31 of this title;
8. Section 54003 of this title;
9. Section 54006 of this title;
10. Section 625.1 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes; ~~or~~
11. Subsections C and D of Section 2357.59 of this title; or
12. Section 2357.13 of this title.

SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 1991, Section 1705, as last amended by Section 414, Chapter 5, 1st Extraordinary Session, O.S.L. 1999 (69 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1705), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1705. The Oklahoma Transportation Authority is hereby authorized and empowered:

(a) To adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and conduct of its business.

(b) To adopt an official seal and alter the same at pleasure.

(c) To maintain an office at such place or places within the state as it may designate.

(d) To sue and be sued in contract, reverse condemnation, equity, mandamus and similar actions in its own name, plead and be impleaded; provided, that any and all actions at law or in equity against the Authority shall be brought in the county in which the principal office of the Authority shall be located, or in the county of the residence of the plaintiff, or the county where the cause of action arose. All privileges granted to the Authority and duties enjoined upon the Authority by the provisions of Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title may be enforced in a court of competent jurisdiction in an action in mandamus.

(e) To construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects and highways, with their access and connecting roads, at such locations and on such routes as it shall determine to be feasible and economically sound; provided, that until specifically authorized by the Legislature, the Authority shall be authorized to construct and operate toll turnpikes only at the following locations:

(1) The Turner Turnpike between Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

(2) The Southwestern (H.E. Bailey) Turnpike between Oklahoma City and Wichita Falls, Texas.

(3) The Northeastern (Will Rogers) Turnpike between Tulsa and Joplin, Missouri.

(4) The Eastern (Indian Nation) Turnpike between Tulsa and Paris, Texas, including all or any part thereof between McAlester and the Red River south of Hugo.

(5) The Cimarron Turnpike between Tulsa and Interstate Highway 35 north of Perry, including a connection to Stillwater.

(6) The Muskogee Turnpike between Broken Arrow and Interstate Highway 40 west of Webbers Falls.

(7) All or any part of an extension of the Muskogee Turnpike, beginning at a point on Interstate Highway 40 near the present south terminus of the Muskogee Turnpike, and extending in a southeasterly direction on an alignment near Stigler, Poteau and Heavener to the vicinity of the Arkansas State Line to furnish access to Hot Springs, Texarkana, Shreveport and New Orleans.

(8) A tollgate on the Turner Turnpike in the vicinity of Luther, Oklahoma, and in the vicinity of the intersection of State Highway 33 and Turner Turnpike in Creek County, Oklahoma, or in the vicinity of the intersection of State Highway 33 and Turner Turnpike or U.S. Highway 66 in Creek County, Oklahoma, from any monies available to the Turnpike Authority.

(9) Add on the Will Rogers Turnpike a northbound automatic tollgate onto State Highway 28 and a southbound on-ramp from State Highway 28.

(10) A turnpike or any part or parts thereof beginning in the vicinity of Duncan extending east to the vicinity of the City of Davis, and extending in a northeasterly direction, by way of the vicinity of the City of Ada, to a connection in the vicinity of Henryetta or in the vicinity of the intersection of State Highway 48 and Interstate 40; and a turnpike or any part or parts thereof from the vicinity of Snyder extending north to the vicinity of Woodward.

(11) A turnpike or any part or parts thereof beginning at a point in the vicinity of Ponca City, or at a point on the Kansas-Oklahoma state boundary line east of the Arkansas River and west of the point where Oklahoma State Highway No. 18 intersects said state boundary line, and extending in a southeasterly direction to a connection with the Tulsa Urban Expressway System in the general area of the Port of Catoosa.

(12) All or any part of an Oklahoma City toll expressway system connecting the residential, industrial and State Capitol Complex in the north part of Oklahoma City with the residential, industrial and Will Rogers World Airport Complex in the south and southwest parts of Oklahoma City.

(13) A turnpike (The Industrial Parkway) or any part or parts thereof beginning at a point on the Oklahoma-Kansas state boundary line between the point where U.S. Highway 66 intersects ~~said~~ the boundary line and the northeast corner of Oklahoma and ending by means of a connection or connections with Shreveport, Louisiana, and Houston, Texas, in southeastern Oklahoma and at no point to exceed thirty (30) miles west of the Missouri or Arkansas border.

(14) A turnpike or any part or parts thereof beginning in the vicinity of Velma or County Line to a point intersecting with Interstate 35 in the area south of Davis.

(15) A turnpike or any part or parts thereof beginning in the vicinity of Watonga and extending south and/or east to the vicinity of north and/or west Oklahoma City.

(16) A new turnpike or parts thereof from the Kansas State Line south to ~~McAlester~~ the Texas State Line, in the vicinity of U.S. Highway 69.

(17) A tollgate on the Will Rogers Turnpike near the intersection of State Highway 137 and the Will Rogers Turnpike, located south of Quapaw.

(18) A tollgate on the Muskogee Turnpike in the vicinity of Porter, Oklahoma, a tollgate on the Will Rogers Turnpike in the vicinity of Adair, Oklahoma, a tollgate on the Turner Turnpike in the vicinity of Luther, Oklahoma, and a tollgate on the H.E. Bailey Turnpike at Elgin, Oklahoma, from any monies available to the ~~Turnpike~~ Authority.

(19) A tollgate on the Turner Turnpike in the vicinity of Wellston, Oklahoma, from any monies available to the ~~Turnpike~~ Authority.

(20) A tollgate on the Muskogee Turnpike in the vicinity of Brushy Mountain, Oklahoma, and in the vicinity of Elm Grove, Oklahoma, from any monies available to the ~~Turnpike~~ Authority.

(21) All or any part of an Oklahoma City Outer Loop expressway system beginning in the vicinity of I-35 and the Turner Turnpike and extending west into Canadian County and then south to I-40; and then south and east to I-35 in the vicinity of Moore and Norman; and then extending east and north to I-40 east of Tinker Field; and then extending north to the Turner Turnpike to complete the Outer Loop.

(22) All or any part of the Tulsa south bypass expressway system beginning in the vicinity of the Turner Turnpike near Sapulpa and extending south and east to U.S. 75 in the vicinity of 96th Street to 121st Street; and then east across the Arkansas River to a connection with the Mingo Valley Expressway; and then south and/or east to a point on the Tulsa-Wagoner County Line near 131st street south in the city of Broken Arrow.

(23) A new turnpike or any part thereof from near the west gate of the Will Rogers Turnpike south to the west end of south Tulsa Turnpike at the Tulsa-Wagoner County Line.

(24) A new turnpike or any parts thereof from the vicinity of the connection between State Highway 33 and U.S. 69 easterly to the Arkansas State Line.

(25) A four-lane extension of the Muskogee Turnpike from Interstate Highway 40 west of Webbers Falls to the Poteau vicinity.

(26) A new turnpike or any part or parts thereof beginning at a point in the vicinity of northwest Tulsa, and extending in a northwesterly direction, by means of a connection or connections with the cities of Pawhuska and Newkirk, to a point intersecting in the vicinity of US Highway No. 77 and the Kansas State Line.

(27) A full access interchange on the Indian Nation Turnpike south of Interstate 40, in the vicinity of Henryetta, Oklahoma, and in the vicinity of the proposed theme park or an industrial facility which qualifies for the Oklahoma Quality Jobs Program Act, from any monies available to the ~~Turnpike~~ Authority.

(28) A new turnpike beginning at a point directly west of the Arkansas line and four-laning Highway 70 from that point to the farthest western reach of Highway 70 creating a southern route through Oklahoma.

(29) A new turnpike and bridge or any parts thereof from a point in the vicinity of the city of Mustang southerly across the South Canadian River to the H.E. Bailey Turnpike in the vicinity of the city of Tuttle; and then easterly across the South Canadian River to a point in the vicinity of the city of Norman.

(30) A new turnpike or any parts thereof beginning at a point in the vicinity of the city of Altus and extending in a northwesterly direction to a point in the vicinity of the city of Sayre.

(31) A new turnpike or any parts thereof beginning at a point in the vicinity of the city of Enid and extending in a westerly direction to a point in the vicinity of the city of Woodward.

All access roads, interchanges, or lead roads connecting such turnpikes with existing highways must be built by funds furnished by the Authority.

The minimum and maximum wages for the construction of the roads, highways and projects provided for in Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title shall be in accordance with the schedules of wages used or adopted by the Commission in construction of state highways.

The Authority is hereby authorized to enter into contracts or agreements with agencies and instrumentalities of other states or the national government for construction, maintenance and operation of interstate turnpikes or highways.

The Authority is hereby required to construct and install automatic tollgates on the Will Rogers Turnpike at State Highway No. 28 near Adair.

(f) To issue turnpike revenue bonds of the Authority, payable solely from revenues, including the revenues accruing to the trust fund created by Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title, for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of any one or more turnpike projects. Provided that any bonds issued for the construction of the proposed turnpike referred to in subparagraphs (10), (20), (21) and (22) of paragraph (e) of this section shall be issued as one issue for all four of the proposed turnpikes and shall be financed, constructed and operated under one bond indenture.

(g) To fix and revise from time to time tolls for the use of any turnpike projects.

Any common carrier having authority at the time of opening any turnpike project to operate upon a highway approximately paralleling the turnpike project shall be granted without further showing authority to operate over the turnpike project to all municipalities which such carrier is serving at the time the turnpike project is opened to traffic. But nothing herein shall be construed as granting any new operation rights to any common carriers.

(h) To acquire, hold, and dispose of real and personal property in the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties.

(i) To acquire in the name of the Authority by purchase or otherwise on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may deem proper, or by exercise of the right of condemnation in manner hereinafter provided, such public or private lands, including public parks, playgrounds, or reservations, or parts thereof or rights therein, rights-of-way, property, rights, easements, and interests, as it may deem necessary for carrying out the provisions of Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title; provided, that all public property damaged in carrying out the powers granted by Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title shall be restored or repaired and placed in its original condition as nearly as practicable.

(j) To designate, except as is provided for herein, the location, and establish, limit and control such points of ingress to

and egress from each turnpike project as may be necessary or desirable in the judgment of the Authority to insure the proper operation and maintenance of such project, and to prohibit entrance to such project from any point or points not so designated.

(k) To make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers, and to employ consulting engineers, attorneys, accountants, construction and financial experts, superintendents, managers, and such other employees and agents as may be necessary in its judgment, and to fix their compensation; provided, that all such expenses shall be payable solely from the proceeds of turnpike revenue bonds issued under the provisions of Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title or from revenues; provided, further, no attorney employed by the Authority, nor any member of any law firm of which he may be connected, shall ever be paid any fee or compensation for any special or extraordinary services.

(l) To receive and accept from any federal agency grants for or in aid of the construction of any turnpike project, provided, the acceptance of such grants will not reduce the amount of federal aid for the construction, repair, or maintenance of farm-to-market roads and other highways and bridges in this state; and to receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of either money, property, labor, or other things of value, to be held, used, and applied only for the purposes for which such grants and contributions may be made.

(m) To adopt such rules ~~and regulations~~, and to do any and all things necessary to comply with rules, regulations, or requirements of the Bureau of Public Roads, Multistate Economic Development Regional Commission, as defined in Sections 1151 through 1153, inclusive, of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Ozarka Region Commission or any other federal agency administering any law enacted by the Congress of the United States to aid or encourage the construction of highways.

(n) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers expressly granted in Sections 1701 through 1734 of this title. On all turnpike projects alternate bids for paving work shall be taken on asphalt concrete and portland cement concrete and the design standards for such paving shall comply with the design standards of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials as modified by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. All contracts for construction work on turnpike projects shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, or bidders, after notice by publication in a newspaper published in the county where the work is to be done in two consecutive weekly issues of the newspaper. In all cases where more than eight (8) miles of construction is let at the same time, such advertisement shall provide for bids on sections of the turnpike not to exceed eight (8) miles. Subject to the following restrictions and limitations, the Authority shall, when contracting for construction work, divide such work into paving projects, bridge projects, including underpasses and overpasses, and earthmoving or miscellaneous projects, according to the type of work to be done. Each project shall be let under a separate contract or contracts and no contract or project shall include more than one of such types of construction work. Each contract for construction work shall contain a provision that ninety percent (90%) of all labor employed on the project shall be

residents of Oklahoma. However, contracts for bridges may include earthwork and structures for the approaches thereto.

(o) It shall be unlawful for any member, officer or employee of the Authority to transact with the Authority, either directly or indirectly, any business for profit of such member, officer, or employee; and any person, firm, or corporation knowingly participating therein shall be equally liable for violation of this provision.

The term "business for profit" shall include, but not be limited to, the acceptance or payment of any fee, commission, gift, or consideration to such member, officer, or employee.

Violation of this provision shall constitute a felony punishable by incarceration in the State Penitentiary for a term not to exceed five (5) years or a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or both such imprisonment and fine.

(p) In the event of a national emergency, the Authority, subject to any vested rights or claims, may enter into contracts with the federal government or any authorized agency thereof to allow the federal government or agency thereof to use such turnpikes partly or exclusively during the existence of such emergency, provided, that the federal government agrees in such contract to pay, during the term of such contract, an amount sufficient, when added to any tolls collected, to meet all operating and maintenance expenses, interest payments, and the minimum sinking fund and reserve requirements of the trust agreement for the turnpike covered by the contract.

(q) All meetings of the Authority shall be open public meetings, and all records shall be public records, except when considering personnel or litigation.

SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 5-117, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 327, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 5-117), is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-117. A. The board of education of each school district shall have power to:

1. Elect its own officers;
2. Make rules, not inconsistent with the law or rules of the State Board of Education, governing the board and the school system of the district;
3. Maintain and operate a complete public school system of such character as the board of education shall deem best suited to the needs of the school district;
4. Designate the schools to be attended by the children of the district;
5. Provide and operate, when deemed advisable, cafeterias or other eating accommodations, thrift banks or other facilities for the teaching and practice of thrift and economy, bookstores, print shops, and vocational and other shops;

6. Provide informational material concerning school bond elections and millage elections, including but not limited to all pertinent financial information relative to the bond issue, a statement of revenue sources necessary to retire proposed bonds, a statement of current bonded indebtedness of the school district, and a statement of proposed use of funds to be generated by the proposed bond issue. The informational material shall not contain the words "vote yes" or "vote no" or any similar words or statement any place on such informational material;

7. Purchase, construct or rent, and operate and maintain, classrooms, libraries, auditoriums, gymnasiums, stadiums, recreation places and playgrounds, teacherages, school bus garages, laboratories, administration buildings, and other schoolhouses and school buildings, and acquire sites and equipment therefor;

8. Have school district property insured;

9. Acquire property by condemnation proceedings in the same manner as land is condemned for railroad purposes. School district funds may be used to erect buildings on leased land on which other buildings have been erected prior to April 3, 1969, or on land which is leased from a governmental entity;

10. Lease real or personal property to the state or any political subdivision thereof for nominal cash consideration for so long as the use of the property by the lessee substantially benefits, in whole or in part, the same public served by the school district;

11. Dispose of personal or real property no longer needed by the district by sale, exchange, lease, lease-purchase, sale and partial lease back, or otherwise. Real property shall be conveyed pursuant to a public sale, public bid, or private sale, provided however, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the board of education of a consolidated or annexed school district may convey real property to a local political subdivision without consideration. Prior to the sale of any real property, the board of education shall have the real property appraised. The appraisal shall be confidential until the real property is sold. When the real property is sold the board of education shall make the appraisal available for public inspection. Prior to the conveyance of any real property by private sale, the board of education shall have offered the real property for sale by public sale or public bid. Any conveyance of real property by private sale to a nonprofit organization, association, or corporation to be used for public purposes, unless for exchange, shall contain a reversionary clause which returns the real property to the board of education upon the cessation of the use without profit or for public purposes by the purchaser or the assigns of the purchaser;

12. Purchase necessary property, equipment, furniture, and supplies necessary to maintain and operate an adequate school system;

13. Incur all expenses, within the limitations provided for by law, necessary to perform all powers granted by the provisions of this section;

14. Contract with and fix the duties and compensation of physicians, dentists, optometrists, nurses, attorneys, superintendents, principals, teachers, bus drivers, janitors, and other necessary employees of the district. The board of education shall establish a written policy for reimbursement of necessary travel expenses of employees and members of the board. The policy may include in-district travel from the site of employment assignment which is necessary in the performance of employment duties. The written policy shall specify procedures ~~containing,~~ contain documentation requirements equal to or greater than the requirements specified by law for state employees in the State Travel Reimbursement Act, and may include payment of meal expenses during authorized travel on a per diem allowance basis rather than itemized documentation. Per diem meal reimbursement may not exceed the amounts authorized for state employees in Section 500.8 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, but such reimbursement shall be available for necessary travel that does not require overnight stays. The board shall designate the funds from which reimbursement is to be made. Reimbursement of meal expenses for an employee or a board member shall not be considered compensation;

15. Pay necessary travel expenses and other related expenses of prospective employees for sponsored visits to the school district pursuant to a written policy specifying procedures containing documentation requirements equal to or greater than the requirements specified by law for state employees in the State Travel Reimbursement Act;

16. Provide for employees' leaves of absence without pay;

17. Exercise sole control over all the schools and property of the district, subject to other provisions of the Oklahoma School Code;

18. Allow district-owned school buses to be used for transportation of students from other districts or educational institutions while within the district on educational tours. This shall not restrict the authority of the board to authorize any other use of such buses which may now be permitted by law or rule of the State Board of Education;

19. Enter into contractual agreements with the board of trustees of a multicounty library system, as defined in Section 4-103 of Title 65 of the Oklahoma Statutes, a city-county library commission, as defined in Section 152 of Title 65 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or a rural single county library system, as defined in Section 1-104 of Title 65 of the Oklahoma Statutes, on such terms as may be mutually agreed, except no district board of education may enter into any agreement under which the library services for the school would be provided at any site other than the school site or which would result in library services that do not meet accreditation standards as required by law or rule;

20. Perform all functions necessary to the administration of a school district in Oklahoma as specified in the Oklahoma School Code, and in addition thereto, those powers necessarily implied but not delegated by law to any other agency or official; and

21. Prepare and distribute at the expense of the school district any and all material which has the purpose of informing the public about district activities.

B. The board of education of any school district may rent, on a monthly basis, real and personal property, if such items are necessary for the operation of the school, and pay the rental charges for the usage during any fiscal year, or portion thereof, out of appropriations made and approved for current expense purposes during the fiscal year. Any such rental contract extending beyond June 30 of such fiscal year shall be void unless it contains provisions for mutual ratification of renewal pursuant to the conditions provided for in this subsection. It is the intent of this subsection to authorize boards of education to enter into lease contracts but not to incur any obligation against the school district in excess of the income and revenue provided for such purposes for the fiscal year in which such lease contract is operative. Any lease agreement entered into by any board of education shall state the purchase price of real or personal property so leased. The lease shall not be extended so as to cause payment of more than the original purchase price of the real or personal property, plus interest not to exceed the legal rate. When the purchase price plus interest has been paid, the property shall belong to the lessee and the lessor shall deliver a deed or bill of sale to the property to the lessee. When any real or personal property has been leased or rented during any fiscal year pursuant to the provisions of any contract which permits continuance of such rental for the remainder of such fiscal year, the renting or leasing thereof must be continued for the remainder of the fiscal year unless the board of education renting or leasing the same certifies by proper resolution entered in the minutes of the board of education that the continuance of such rental is unnecessary and contrary to the public interest.

C. The boards of education of two or more school districts may enter into cooperative agreements and maintain joint programs including but not limited to, courses of instruction for handicapped children, courses of instruction in music and other subjects, practical instruction for trades and vocations, practical instruction in driver training courses, and health programs including visual care by persons legally licensed for such purpose, without favoritism as to either profession. The revenues necessary to operate a joint program approved in cooperative agreements, whether from federal, state or local sources, including the individual contributions of participating school districts, shall be deposited into a fund separate from all other appropriated funds. The beginning fund balance each year, combined with all actual revenues, including collected and estimated revenues, must be appropriated before being expended. Purchase orders shall be issued against available appropriations and, once goods or services have been received, either payable or nonpayable warrants shall be issued in payment of all purchase orders. The fund shall be reported as a separate appropriated fund in all the financial reports of the school district which is chosen by the other school districts to keep the accounting records of the joint program.

D. Any school district may operate or maintain a school or schools on any military reservation which is within the boundaries of the school district or which is adjacent to the school district, and provide the instruction in the school or schools to children of

personnel on the military reservation and, in doing so, shall conform to all federal laws and requirements.

E. The board of education of each school district shall adopt and maintain on file in the office of the superintendent of schools appropriate personnel policy and sick leave guide. The guide shall be made available to the public.

SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 18-108, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 355, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 18-108), is amended to read as follows:

~~Section 18-108. It is the intent of the Legislature to provide a free public kindergarten for every five-year-old child in this state.~~

~~1. Each day during which a child attends a kindergarten for two and one-half hours or more shall be counted as one hundred percent (100%) of one (1) day of average daily attendance. Each day a kindergarten student is on the membership roll in a school district shall be counted as one hundred percent (100%) of one (1) day of average daily membership.~~

~~2. It~~ A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, it shall be the duty of every school district in this state to provide and offer kindergarten free of tuition for every child residing in such district who attains the age of five (5) years on or before the first day of September during the school year such kindergarten is offered, provided that this duty may be satisfied by transferring kindergarten children to other school districts which accept them and provide kindergarten for such children, or by contracting for classroom space with a licensed public or licensed private child care provider based upon selection criteria established by the district. The requirement to attend kindergarten provided in Section 10-105 of this title may be satisfied by attendance in either a half-day or full-day program. Membership in a kindergarten for either two and one-half (2 1/2) hours or six (6) hours per school day shall be counted as one (1) day for average daily membership purposes. For purposes of State Aid, the pupil grade level weight for a two-and-one-half-hour day of kindergarten shall be 1.3, and for a six-hour full day of kindergarten shall be 1.5.

B. The requirement to offer a full six-hour day of kindergarten as provided for in subsection A of this section shall not become effective until three (3) years after the provisions of this section are implemented as provided for in Section 56 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1759 of the 1st Session of the 47th Oklahoma Legislature.

~~3. C.~~ A kindergarten program may be offered jointly by school districts that have formed interlocal cooperative agreements pursuant to Section 5-117b of this title.

SECTION 20. AMENDATORY Section 5, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 14, Chapter 345, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 3517.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3517.2 A. The governance, supervision, management and control of the Enid Higher Education Program is hereby transferred from the Board of Trustees for the Enid Higher Education Program to the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges, and all interests in real

property, facilities, equipment and appurtenances, state-appropriated monies and all duties, obligations and liabilities of the Enid Higher Education Program and any and all obligations of the Board of Trustees of the Enid Higher Education Program for and on behalf of the Enid Higher Education Program are hereby transferred to the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges. Obligations for any and all plans for tenure or retirement of employees of the Enid Higher Education Program, either through the Enid Higher Education Program or the Board of Trustees for the Enid Higher Education Program, shall be assumed by the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges.

B. The Enid Higher Education Program shall serve as the Enid campus of Northwestern Oklahoma State University. The Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges may provide resources to the Enid Higher Education Program and the Enid Campus of Northwestern Oklahoma State University to maintain its facilities in accordance with its function and mission as provided by law.

SECTION 21. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 85.4, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 321, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 85.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.4 A. Except as otherwise provided in Section 85.12 of this title by the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, every state agency shall make all acquisitions used, consumed or spent by the state agency in the performance of its official functions by the presentation of requisitions to the Purchasing Division ~~established in Section 85.3 of this title and no acquisitions shall be acquired by any state agency for such use or consumption except by the presentation of the requisition and receipt of the acquisitions requisitioned through the Purchasing Division.~~

B. The provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act shall not preclude ~~the acceptance of~~ a state agency from:

1. Accepting gifts and or donations in the any manner now authorized by law; or the purchase of any

2. Making an acquisition by any state agency acting for itself and without presentation of a requisition when such an acquisition without requisition is authorized in writing by the State Purchasing Director.

C. Subject to the provisions of this section, every state agency shall ~~have the authority to determine its own quantitative needs for acquisitions, insofar as it has such authority under existing law and shall have the authority to determine the general class or nature of acquisitions, subject to the provisions of Section 85.5 of this title~~ and the general class or nature of the acquisitions.

~~B.~~ D. The Director of the Department of Central Services shall prescribe standardized contract forms and all other forms requisite or deemed necessary by the Director of the Department of Central Services to effectuate the provisions of this section and the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

~~C.~~ E. 1. Each requisition required by this section for the acquisition of any product shall be accompanied by a statement

signed by the chief administrative officer of the state agency or the chief administrative officer of the requisitioning unit of the state agency ~~certifying:~~

- a. ~~the product requested is necessary to the agency's responsibilities,~~
- b. ~~the amount of the product requested is not excessive, and~~
- e. the justification for the purchase of the product justifying the acquisition and, where applicable, the quantity or volume to be acquired.

2. Each requisition required by this section for nonprofessional services or professional services whether or not such services are exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of this section or pursuant to Section 85.7 of this title shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the chief administrative officer of the state agency or the chief administrative officer of the requisitioning unit of the state agency certifying that:

- a. no employee of the state agency is able and available to perform the services ~~called for by~~ to be provided pursuant to the contract,
- b. the state agency shall receive, review and accept a detailed work plan from the ~~contractor~~ supplier for performance pursuant to the contract if requested by the State Purchasing Director,
- c. the state agency has developed, and fully intends to implement, a written plan providing for the assignment of specific state agency personnel to:
 - (1) ~~a~~ monitoring and auditing ~~function~~ supplier performance,
 - (2) the periodic review of interim reports, or other indications of past performance, and
 - (3) if requested by the State Purchasing Director, the ultimate utilization of the final product of the nonprofessional or professional services ~~if requested by the State Purchasing Director,~~
- d. the work to be performed under the contract is necessary to the state agency's responsibilities, and there is statutory authority to enter into the contract,
- e. the contract will not establish an employment relationship between the state or the state agency and any persons performing under the contract,
- f. no current state employee will engage in the performance of the contract, unless specifically approved by the State Purchasing Director, ~~and~~

- g. the purchase of the nonprofessional or professional services is justified, and
 - h. the contract contains provisions that are required by Section 85.41 of this title.
3. a. When a state agency requisitions acquisitions that ~~are to be supplied~~ a supplier will provide in components or phases, the requisition shall list each component or phase, and the ~~same~~ State Purchasing Director shall ~~be included on~~ include the list in the Invitation to Bid.
- b. The determination of the lowest and best bid or best value bid, as required by the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, shall include all component or phase deliveries and shall not be based solely on the first component or phase delivery. ~~State agencies~~
- c. For a purchase order or contract that includes separate component deliveries, the Purchasing Director or a state agency may issue change orders to increase a purchase order or contract for an the acquisition that do not to exceed an increase of ten percent (10%) of the original purchase order or contract total price.

~~D. F.~~ F. Any person certifying the information required by subsection ~~C~~ E of this section who knows such information to be false, shall upon conviction, ~~shall~~ be ~~deemed~~ guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by fine or imprisonment or both fine and imprisonment pursuant to the provisions of Section 85.15 of this title and shall be civilly liable for the amount of the contract.

~~E. G.~~ G. The State Purchasing Director may request ~~any~~ additional information necessary to adequately review the requisitions and the statements required pursuant to subsection ~~C~~ E of this section ~~and~~ to ensure compliance with the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

~~F. H.~~ H. ~~Upon a determination~~ If the Purchasing Director determines that an acquisition is not necessary, is excessive or is not justified, the State Purchasing Director shall deny the requisition.

~~G. I.~~ I. 1. No state agency shall enter into a lease-purchase agreement if title is acquired to tangible property of any class or nature by making lease, rental, or any other type payments, except as specifically authorized by law ~~or by a governing board of regents as to institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education~~ and except insofar as data processing equipment or other equipment is concerned; provided, however, the lease-purchase of data processing or other equipment by any state agency, whether or not the state agency is subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, shall be processed by competitive bids through the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services.

2. The Executive Bond Oversight Commission and the Legislative Bond Oversight Commission shall have the authority to determine the most cost-effective method for obtaining financing for lease-purchase agreements, which may be financed by either negotiated sale or competitive bid. If the Executive Bond Oversight Commission and the Legislative Bond Oversight Commission determine that the lease-purchase of personal or real property should be financed through negotiated sale, the financing shall be subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Bond Oversight and Reform Act, 62 O.S. 1991, Section 695.1 et seq. Unless said Commissions determine that the sale should be executed on a negotiated basis, such financing shall be processed by competitive bids through the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services.

3. Regardless of the method of financing, the acquisition price of personal property subject to a lease-purchase agreement shall be processed by competitive bids through the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services.

4. The State Purchasing Director may permit lease-purchasing of equipment by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission if such leasing is determined by the State Purchasing Director to be in the best interest of the state; provided, that such leasing must be processed by competitive bids through the State Purchasing Director except as to those acquisitions exempt under Section 85.12 of this title.

~~H.~~ J. No state agency shall enter into a lease-purchase contract between the state agency as lessee and a private party as lessor if the contract is not capable of complete performance within the current fiscal year in which the contract was entered into unless a valid nonappropriation clause is included in the contract. Such contracts shall contain the following or substantially similar language:

Lessee shall have the right to terminate ~~this~~ the lease, in whole but not in part, at the end of any fiscal year of lessee, if the Legislature fails to allocate sufficient funds to lessee for the rental payments required under ~~this~~ the lease.

~~I.~~ K. 1. No change order or addendum ~~can~~ shall be made to a lease-purchase agreement which extends the term or life of the original bid contract. Any lease-purchase agreement requiring such extensions or refinancing shall be readvertised and processed in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

2. ~~All Every~~ state ~~agencies~~ agency, whether or not ~~the state agency is~~ subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, shall ~~prepare~~ maintain a list of all tangible personal property which it is acquiring by a lease-purchase method and, prior to the renewal of a lease-purchase agreement, shall evaluate the rate being paid under the current lease-purchase agreement against rates currently being received by the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services on a competitive bid basis to determine whether or not refinancing of the property will benefit the state. Any state agency which elects not to submit a requisition for a possible refinancing when the existing rates are at least one percent (1%) above rates being currently

bid, and when the total sum to be paid for the property including principal and interest will be reduced, ~~must~~ shall submit a written justification to the State Purchasing Director stating the reasons for not attempting to refinance the property. The State Purchasing Director shall forward all such justifications to the ~~Chairman~~ Chair of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the ~~Chairman~~ Chair of the Committee on Appropriations and Budget of the House of Representatives no later than February 1 of each year.

3. Unless otherwise provided by law, no state agency shall enter into a lease-purchase agreement for real or personal property costing less than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). ~~Institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be exempt from this provision.~~

4. a. Unless otherwise provided by law, the maximum term of a state agency lease-purchase agreement shall be the lesser of the useful life of real or personal property subject to a lease-purchase agreement as determined by the State Purchasing Director, or three (3) years for personal property and ten (10) years for real property, respectively. ~~Institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be exempt from this provision.~~

b. The Executive Bond Oversight Commission and the Legislative Bond Oversight Commission shall have the authority to extend the term of a lease-purchase agreement beyond three (3) years for personal property and ten (10) years for real property if the State Purchasing Director determines that the useful life of the property exceeds ~~said~~ the terms and the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor recommends the extension as being in the best interests of ~~the State of~~ Oklahoma this state.

5. Unless otherwise provided by law, state agency real property acquisitions subject to lease-purchase agreements shall be explicitly authorized by the Legislature. Acquisitions of real property authorized by the Legislature, unless otherwise exempted by the Legislature, shall be subject to the competitive bid provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. If a state agency is authorized to enter into a lease-purchase agreement for real property, the financing of ~~such~~ the acquisition, including acquisitions deemed desirable for executing a lease-purchase, certificate of participation, or similar agreement or obligation, shall be obtained in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. The State Purchasing Director shall consult with the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor on the preparation, evaluation, and negotiation of such financing. Legislative authorization shall constitute legal authorization for this state or state agencies to enter into such lease-purchase agreements. ~~Institutions of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be exempt from this provision.~~

J. L. The State Purchasing Director may permit leasing of products by state agencies if such leasing is determined by the State Purchasing Director to be in the best interest of the state, provided that such leasing must be processed by competitive bids

through the State Purchasing Director except as to those acquisitions exempt ~~under~~ pursuant to Section 85.12 of this title.

~~K. M.~~ 1. Before reoffering or remarketing an obligation, a state agency shall obtain written approval from the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor. Should a remarketing of a lease-purchase agreement be proposed that includes the remarketing of securities or obligations to more than a single investor, any disclosure language prepared in connection with such remarketing that describes the state's liability under the lease-purchase agreement shall be approved in advance, in writing, by the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor.

2. In no event shall a state agency enter into a lease-purchase agreement unless that agreement ~~contains the following or similar language:~~

~~The states that the State of Oklahoma reserves the right to approve any reoffering of this obligation to another investor either through private placement, issuance of certificates of participation, or any other mechanism. Such approval must be obtained in advance, in writing, from the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor prior to any remarketing.~~

~~2. In the event that a remarketing of a lease-purchase agreement is proposed that includes the remarketing of securities or obligations to more than a single investor, any disclosure language prepared in connection with such marketing that describes the state's liability under the lease-purchase agreement must be approved in advance, in writing, by the Oklahoma State Bond Advisor.~~

~~L. N.~~ 1. Whenever it appears advantageous to the state or to any state agency to purchase or otherwise acquire any acquisition which may be offered for sale by the government of the United States of America or any agency thereof, the State Purchasing Director may ~~enter into~~ execute a contract for the acquisition with the federal government or ~~with any~~ federal agency ~~charged with the sale or disposition of such equipment, supplies, material, or other property, and the State Purchasing Director shall be authorized to execute such contract.~~

2. ~~Should~~ If the State Purchasing Director approves an acquisition from the federal government or agency and determines that the regulations of the federal government, or any agency thereof handling the disposition and sale of any equipment, supplies, materials, or other property which it would be advantageous to the state to purchase, require that partial or full payment be made at the time sale is effected and before the equipment, supplies, material, or other property acquisition will be delivered, the State Purchasing Director, upon requisition by the requesting party, shall draw have a state warrant drawn against the funds of the department or acquiring state agency payable to the United States of America or its proper agency. The warrant shall be in such amount as may be necessary to meet the terms and conditions of sale without requiring a certificate showing that the equipment, supplies, material, or other property acquisition has actually been delivered to the state department or other agency in whose behalf the purchase is being negotiated.

SECTION 22. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 85.7, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 85.7), is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.7 A. 1. Except as otherwise provided by the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, no state agency shall make an acquisition for an amount exceeding Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) without submission of a requisition to the State Purchasing Director and submission of suppliers' competitive bids or proposals to the State Purchasing Director.

2. Any acquisition a state agency makes shall be made pursuant to the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act and rules promulgated pursuant thereto.

- a. Split purchasing for the purpose of evading the requirement of competitive bidding shall be a felony.
- b. The State Purchasing Director may waive or increase the limit of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for a state agency acquisition by not more than ten percent (10%) to perfect an otherwise valid acquisition inadvertently exceeding the limit due to administrative error by the state agency or unforeseeable circumstances. The state agency shall request a waiver upon the discovery of the error or circumstance to the State Purchasing Director on a form the Director requires.
- c. The State Purchasing Director shall report all requests for waivers or increases, stating the amount and whether the request was granted or denied, monthly to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives.

3. Contracts for master custodian banks or trust companies, investment managers, investment consultants, and actuaries for the state retirement systems, State Insurance Fund, State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board, pension fund management consultants of the Oklahoma State Pension Commission and the Commissioners of the Land Office, and other professional services as defined in Section 803 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be exempt from competitive bidding procedures of Section 85.4 of this title. Contracts with financial institutions to act as depositories and managers of the Oklahoma College Savings Plan accounts shall be exempt from competitive bidding procedures. A state agency that makes an acquisition pursuant to this paragraph shall notify the State Purchasing Director within fifteen (15) days following completion of the acquisition. The Department of Central Services shall compile a list of the exempt contracts and send the list to a member of the Appropriations and Budget Committee of the House of Representatives or Appropriations Committee of the Senate, if the member requests.

4. Requisitions pursuant to this section shall not be required prior to emergency acquisitions by a state agency not exceeding Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00). The state agency shall submit a requisition to the State Purchasing Director within five (5) days following the acquisition together with a statement of the emergency. The State Purchasing Director shall send the requisition

and a written analysis to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives specifying the facts and circumstances giving rise to the emergency requisition.

5. Requisitions pursuant to this section for acquisitions to alleviate a serious environmental emergency shall not be required if, upon receiving a request from the Chair of the Corporation Commission and after having examined the facts and circumstances of the case, the Governor certifies in writing the existence of a serious environmental emergency. For the purposes of this section, "serious environmental emergency" means a situation within the jurisdiction of the Commission:

- a. in which serious damage to the environment will quickly occur if immediate action is not taken and the damage will be so significant that the urgent need for action outweighs the need for competitive bids, or
- b. a situation in which human life or safety is in imminent danger or significant property interests are threatened with imminent destruction.

6. Acquisitions for repairs of equipment in emergencies, of livestock through a market agency, dealer, commission house, or livestock auction market bonded or licensed under federal or state law, the purchase or collection of semen or embryos, and the placement of embryos into recipient livestock shall not require requisitions pursuant to this section or any other provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

7. The Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society shall select suppliers for the restoration of historical sites and museums and shall not be subject to the requisition requirements of this section or any other provision of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. The Board may send a requisition to the State Purchasing Director and request supplier bid or proposal submission procedures, but supplier and bid selection will be the prerogative of the Board and will be based on contractors' documented qualifications and experience.

8. Purchases of postage by state agencies shall be made pursuant to Sections 90.1 through 90.4 of this title.

9. Sole source or sole brand acquisitions by a state agency or the State Purchasing Director shall comply with Section 85.45j of this title.

10. Acquisitions for the design, development, communication, or implementation of the state employees flexible benefits plan shall not be subject to the requirements of this section; provided, that the Flexible Benefits Advisory Council shall use procedures consistent with the competitive bid requirements of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

11. a. Any acquisition of a service which the Department of Central Services has approved as qualifying for a fixed and uniform rate shall be made pursuant to provisions of this paragraph.

- b. The Department of Central Services shall establish criteria and guidelines for those services which may qualify for a fixed and uniform rate.
- c. Fixed and uniform rate contracts authorized by this paragraph shall be limited to contracts for those services furnished to persons directly benefiting from such services and shall not be used by a state agency to employ consultants or to make other acquisitions.
- d. Any state agency desiring to have a service qualified for a fixed and uniform rate shall make a request for service qualification to the Department of Central Services and submit documentation to support the request. The Department of Central Services shall approve or deny the request. If the Department of Central Services approves the request, the state agency shall establish a fixed and uniform rate for the service. No contracts shall be entered into by the state agency until the rate has been approved by the state agency in a public hearing. The proposed rate shall be clearly and separately identified in the agenda of the state agency for the hearing and shall be openly and separately discussed during such hearing. The state agency shall notify the Director of the Department of Central Services of its pending consideration of the proposed rate at least thirty (30) days before the state agency is to meet on the proposed rate. The state agency shall deliver to the Director of the Department of Central Services a copy of the agenda items concerning the proposed rate with supporting documentation. The Director of the Department of Central Services shall communicate any observation, reservation, criticism, or recommendation to the agency, either in person at the time of the hearing or in writing delivered to the state agency before or at the time of the hearing. The Director of the Department of Central Services shall specifically note in the written communications whether the Director of the Department of Central Services has determined the rate to be excessive. Any written communication presented in the absence of the Director of the Department of Central Services shall be presented orally during the public hearing. Whether made in person or in writing, any comment made by the Director of the Department of Central Services shall be made a part of the minutes of the hearing in full.
- e. Within two (2) weeks after the convening of the Legislature, the administrative officer of the state agency shall furnish to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and to any member of the House or Senate, if requested by the member, a complete list of all of the types of services paid for by uniform fixed rates, the amount of the rate last approved by the agency for the service, and the number of contracts then in existence for each type of service. Any rate which has been determined to be excessive by the Director of the

Department of Central Services shall be specifically identified in the list by the state agency.

- f. At any time, the Director of the Department of Central Services may review, suspend, or terminate a contract entered into pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph if the Director of the Department of Central Services determines the contract is not necessary, is excessive, or is not justified.

12. Specifically prescribed nonmedical adaptive technology-related acquisitions for individuals with disabilities who are clients of the State Department of Rehabilitation Services and which are prescribed by a physician, rehabilitation engineer, qualified rehabilitation technician, speech therapist, speech pathologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, or qualified sensory aids specialist, and other client acquisitions, shall not be subject to the requisition requirements of this section. The Commission for Rehabilitation Services shall develop standards for the purchase of such acquisitions and may elect to utilize the Purchasing Division for an acquisition. The standards shall foster economy, provide a short response time, include appropriate safeguards, require written records, ensure appropriate competition for economical and efficient purchasing, and shall be approved by the State Purchasing Director.

13. The Department of Human Services shall develop procedures for acquisitions of specifically prescribed nonmedical assistive technology-related items not exceeding the acquisition purchase amount requiring a requisition pursuant to this section for individuals under sixteen (16) years of age who are recipients of Supplemental Security Income which are prescribed by a physician, qualified sensory aids specialist or qualified special education instructor. The procedures shall reflect standards for the acquisition of such nonmedical assistive technology-related items, may provide for utilization of the Purchasing Division when appropriate, shall foster economy, provide a short response time, shall include appropriate safeguards and written records to ensure appropriate competition and economical and efficient purchasing, and shall be approved by the State Purchasing Director.

14. a. Structured settlement agreements entered into by the Attorney General's office in order to settle any lawsuit involving the state, the Legislature, any state agency or any employee or official of the state shall not be subject to the competitive bidding requirements of this section if:
- (1) prior to entering into any contract for the services of an entity to administer a structured settlement agreement, the Attorney General receives proposals from at least three entities engaged in providing such services, and
 - (2) the selection of a particular entity is made on the basis of the response to the request which is the most economical and provides the most competent service which furthers the best interests of the state.

- b. A list of any such structured settlement agreements entered into by the Attorney General with summary thereon for the previous calendar year shall be submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate on January 31 of each year.

15. Purchases available pursuant to a multistate or multigovernmental contract through the Purchasing Division, if the terms of the contract are more favorable to or will result in more favorable terms, conditions, accessibility, prices, control, or efficiency for the state than purchasing from a company distributing to state agencies through a statewide contract or other contract shall be exempt from competitive bidding procedures.

16. The Commission on Marginally Producing Oil and Gas Wells shall be exempt from the competitive bid requirements of this section for contracts with local vendors for the purpose of holding special events and exhibitions throughout the state.

B. Acquisitions shall be awarded to the lowest and best, or best value, bidder at a specified time and place, which shall be open to the public.

C. Bids for professional service contracts for an amount requiring submission of requisitions to the State Purchasing Director shall be evaluated by the State Purchasing Director and the state agency contracting for such service. Both cost and technical expertise shall be considered in determining the lowest and best, or best value, bid. Further, the state agency shall present its evaluation and recommendation to the State Purchasing Director. A documented evaluation report containing the evaluations of the State Purchasing Director and the state agency contracting for such service shall be completed prior to the awarding of a professional service contract and such report shall be a matter of public record.

D. When requested by the State Insurance Fund, the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board, or the governing board of a state retirement system authorized to hire investment managers, the Department of Central Services shall assist the requesting body in the process of selecting investment managers. When requested by the Flexible Benefits Advisory Council, the Department of Central Services shall assist the Council in the process of selecting contracts for the design, development, communication, or implementation of the state employees flexible benefits plan.

E. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, the acquisition of food items or food products by a state agency from a public trust created pursuant to Sections 176 through 180.56 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall comply with competitive bidding procedures pursuant to the provisions of this section.

SECTION 23. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 85.12, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 85.12), is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.12 A. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to affect any law relating to fiscal or accounting procedure except as they may be directly in conflict herewith; and

all claims, warrants, and bonds shall be examined, inspected, and approved as now provided by law.

B. Except as otherwise provided by this section, the acquisitions specified in this subsection shall be made in compliance with Section 85.39 of this title but are not subject to other provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act:

1. Food and other products produced by state institutions and agencies;

2. The printing or duplication of publications or forms of whatsoever kind or character by state agencies if the work is performed upon their own equipment by their own employees. Pursuant to this paragraph, the state agency may only use equipment owned or leased by the agency and may only utilize that equipment for printing services required by the agency in performing duties imposed upon the agency or functions authorized to be performed by the agency. Any use of the equipment by the agency pursuant to an agreement or contract with any other entity resulting in delivery of intermediate or finished products to the entity purchasing or using the products shall be subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act;

3. Department of Transportation and Transportation Commission contractual services or right-of-way purchases; contracts awarded pursuant to bids let by the Transportation Commission for the maintenance or construction of streets, roads, highways, bridges, underpasses, or any other transportation facilities under the control of the Department of Transportation, the acquisitions of equipment or materials accruing to the Department of Transportation required in Federal-Aid contracts; and contracts for public service type announcements initiated by the Department of Transportation; but not contractual services for advertising or public relations or employment services;

4. Utility services where rates therefor are regulated by a state or federal regulatory commission, or by municipal ordinance, or by an Indian Tribal Council for use by the Department of Corrections only;

5. Acquisitions by the University Hospitals Authority. The Authority shall develop standards for the acquisition of products and services and may elect to utilize the Purchasing Division. The standards shall foster economy and short response time and shall include appropriate safeguards and record-keeping requirements to ensure appropriate competition and economical and efficient purchasing;

6. Contracts for custom harvesting by the Department of Corrections for the Department or its institutions;

7. Contracts with private prison contractors which are subject to the contracting procedures of Section 561 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

8. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority;

9. Acquisitions by the Grand River Dam Authority;

10. Acquisitions by rural water, sewer, gas, or solid waste management districts created pursuant to the Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid Waste Management Districts Act;

11. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority, the Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority, or the Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority;

12. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority for the services of an appraiser or for acquisition of insurance when the Authority's Board of Directors determines that an emergency exists, and contracts for the services of legal counsel when approved by the Attorney General;

13. Expenditure of monies appropriated to the State Board of Education for Local and State Supported Financial Support of Public Schools, except monies allocated therefrom for the Administrative and Support Functions of the State Department of Education;

14. Expenditure of monies appropriated to the State Department of Rehabilitation Services for educational programs or educational materials for the Oklahoma School for the Blind and the Oklahoma School for the Deaf;

15. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Department of Vocational and Technical Education for the development, revision, or updating of vocational curriculum materials, and contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Department of Vocational and Technical Education for training and supportive services that address the needs of new or expanding industries;

16. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology for professional services;

17. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce pursuant to the provisions of Section 5066.4 of this title;

18. Acquisitions made by the Oklahoma Historical Society from monies used to administer the White Hair Memorial;

19. Acquisitions available to an agency through a General Services Administration (GSA) contract or other federal contract if the acquisition is on current statewide contract and the terms of the GSA or other federal contract, as determined by the State Purchasing Director, are more favorable to the agency than the terms of a statewide contract for the same products;

20. Contracts for managed health care services entered into by the state entity designated by law or the Department of Human Services, as specified in paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 1010.3 of Title 56 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

21. Acquisitions by the Forestry Service of the State Department of Agriculture as authorized by the federal General Services Administration through a General Services Administration contract or other federal contract if the acquisitions are not on current statewide contract or the terms of the federal contract are more favorable to the agency than the terms of a statewide contract for the same products;

22. Acquisitions of clothing for clients of the Department of Human Services and acquisitions of food for group homes operated by the Department of Human Services;

23. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Energy Resources Board;

24. Acquisitions of clothing for juveniles in the custody of the Office of Juvenile Affairs and acquisitions of food for group homes operated by the Office of Juvenile Affairs;

25. State contracts for flexible benefits plans pursuant to the Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Act, Section 1361 et seq. of this title;

26. Acquisitions by the Department of Securities to investigate, initiate, or pursue administrative, civil, or criminal proceedings involving potential violations of the acts under the Department's jurisdiction;

27. Acquisitions by the Native America Cultural and Educational Authority and acquisitions by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to assist the Native American Cultural and Educational Authority pursuant to Section 5017 of this title;

28. Acquisitions for resale in and through canteens operated pursuant to Section 537 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes; ~~and~~

29. Acquisitions by the Oklahoma Boll Weevil Eradication Organization for employment and personnel services, and for acquiring sprayers, blowers, traps, and attractants related to the eradication of boll weevils in this state or as part of a national or regional boll weevil eradication program; and

30. Contracts entered into by the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System for expert services pursuant to the provisions of subsection D of Section 1355.4 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. Any state agency, common school, municipality, rural fire protection district, or county officer may, unless acting pursuant to a contract with the state that specifies otherwise, make use of statewide contracts and the services of the Purchasing Division and the State Purchasing Director. Any political subdivision or rural fire protection district may designate the State Purchasing Director as its agent for any acquisition from a statewide contract or otherwise available to the state.

D. The State Purchasing Director shall make periodic audits of the purchasing procedures of the Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority, the Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority, the University Hospitals Authority, and the Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority to ensure that the procedures are being followed.

SECTION 24. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 500.2, as last amended by Section 15, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 500.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 500.2 A. Officials and employees of the state, traveling on authorized state business, may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in such travel in accordance with the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act and existing statutes relating

to state travel. Persons who are not state employees, but who are performing substantial and necessary services to the state which have been directed or approved by the appropriate department official shall enjoy the protection of the sovereign immunity of the state to the same extent as a paid employee. Such persons may be reimbursed for expenses incurred during authorized official travel under these same statutory provisions, provided it is indicated on the claim the person is not a state employee, a description of services performed is entered, and the agency head by his approval of the claim certifies such services were substantial and necessary, and germane to the duties and functions of the reimbursing agency. Travel expenses incurred by a person during the course of seeking employment with a state agency, unless such travel is performed at the request of the employing agency, shall not be considered expenses incurred in performing substantial and necessary services to the state and shall not be reimbursed under the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

B. The chief administrative officer of the Department of Public Safety, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma Military Department, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Central Services, the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission, the State Department of Agriculture, the Department of Civil Emergency Management, and the State Fire Marshal may arrange for and charge meals and lodging for a contingent of state personnel moved into an area for the purpose of preserving the public health, safety, or welfare or for the protection of life or property. The cost for meals or lodging so charged shall not exceed the amount authorized in the State Travel Reimbursement Act. The chief administrative officer of each agency involved in such an operation shall require the vendor furnishing meals, lodging, or both meals and lodging to submit an itemized statement for payment. When a claim for lodging is made for a contingent of state personnel, individual members of the contingent may not submit a claim for lodging. When a claim for meals is made for a contingent of state personnel, individual members of the contingent may not submit a claim for meals.

C. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce, ~~and~~ the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, and the State Department of Agriculture are hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, meeting facility and beverage expenses as may be necessary for sponsoring seminars and receptions relating to economic development and science and technology issues. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, ~~and~~ the President of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology, and the Commissioner of Agriculture shall each provide a quarterly report of such expenditures to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

D. The Native American Cultural and Educational Authority is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, and meeting facility as may be necessary to pursue the promotion of fund-raising, marketing, and development of Native American educational programs and cultural projects, or to sponsor luncheons, seminars, and receptions relating to Native American educational, cultural, museum, and economic development

issues. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment. The Executive Director shall provide a monthly report of expenditures to the Board.

E. For purposes of this section:

1. "State agency" means any constitutionally or statutorily created state board, commission, or department, including the Legislature and the Courts; and

2. State agencies are authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of food and lodging expenses as may be necessary for employees or other persons who are performing substantial and necessary services to the state attending official conferences, meetings, seminars, workshops, or training sessions or in the performance of their duties. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment, provided the meeting qualifies for overnight travel for the employees and the cost for food and lodging for each employee shall not exceed the total daily rate as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act, Section 500.1 et seq. of this title.

3. State agencies are authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of conference registration expenses as may be necessary for employees or other persons who are performing substantial and necessary services to the state attending official conferences, meetings, seminars, workshops, or training sessions. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment.

F. State agencies are authorized to make direct purchases of commercial airline tickets for use by employees in approved out-of-state travel. Each claim or invoice submitted to the Director of State Finance for the payment of the purchase shall bear the airline identifying ticket number, the name of the airline, total cost of each ticket purchased, class of accommodation, social security number, and name of the employee for whom the ticket was purchased, and shall be filed on claim forms as prescribed by the Director of State Finance. The employee shall sign an affidavit stating that the employee did use any direct purchase commercial airline ticket received for his or her approved out-of-state travel.

G. 1. The Administrator of the Office of Personnel Management is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, and other authorized expenses as may be necessary to host, conduct, sponsor, or participate in conferences, meetings, or training sessions. The Administrator may establish accounts as necessary for the collection and distribution of funds, including funds of sponsors and registration fees, related to such conferences, meetings, and training sessions. ~~Any expenses~~ Expenses incurred may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment.

2. The cost of food for persons attending any conferences, meetings, and training sessions that do not require overnight travel shall not exceed the total daily rate as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

H. 1. The Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services is hereby authorized to enter into

contracts and agreements for the payment of food, lodging, and other authorized expenses as may be necessary to host, conduct, sponsor, or participate in conferences, meetings, or training sessions. The Commissioner may establish accounts as necessary for the collection and distribution of funds, including funds of sponsors and registration fees, related to such conferences, meetings, and training sessions. Any expenses incurred may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment.

2. The cost of food for persons attending any conferences, meetings, and training sessions that do not require overnight travel shall not exceed the total daily rate as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

1. The Oklahoma Indigent Defense System is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of lodging as necessary for employees to carry out their duties in representing any client whom the System has been properly appointed to represent. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment. The cost for lodging for each employee shall not exceed the daily rate as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

SECTION 25. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 840.8, as renumbered by Section 54, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994, and as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 375, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 840-5.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 840-5.5 A. The following offices, positions, and personnel shall be in the unclassified service and shall not be placed under the classified service:

1. Persons chosen by popular vote or appointment to fill an elective office, and their employees, except the employees of the Corporation Commission, the State Department of Education and the Department of Labor;

2. Members of boards and commissions, and heads of agencies; also one principal assistant or deputy and one executive secretary for each state agency;

3. All judges, elected or appointed, and their employees;

4. Persons employed with one-time, limited duration, federal or other grant funding that is not continuing or indefinitely renewable. The length of the unclassified employment shall not exceed the period of time for which that specific federal funding is provided;

5. All officers and employees of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, State Board of Education and State Department of Vocational and Technical Education;

6. Persons employed in a professional or scientific capacity to make or conduct a temporary and special inquiry, investigation, or examination on behalf of the Legislature or a committee thereof or by authority of the Governor. These appointments and authorizations shall terminate on the first day of the regular legislative session immediately following the appointment, if not terminated earlier. However, nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the reauthorization

and reappointment of any such person. Any such appointment shall be funded from the budget of the appointing authority;

7. Election officials and employees;

8. Temporary employees employed to work less than one thousand (1,000) hours in any twelve-month period and seasonal employees employed pursuant to Section 1806.1 of this title who work less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) hours in any twelve-month period. This category of employees may include persons employed on an intermittent, provisional, seasonal, temporary or emergency basis;

9. Department of Public Safety employees occupying the following offices or positions:

- a. two administrative aides to the Commissioner, and
- b. the Governor's representative of the Oklahoma Highway Safety Office who shall be appointed by the Governor;

10. Professional trainees only during the prescribed length of their course of training or extension study;

11. Students who are employed on a part-time basis, which shall be seventy-five percent (75%) of a normal forty-hour work week or thirty (30) hours per week, or less, or on a full-time basis if the employment is pursuant to a cooperative education program such as that provided for under Title I IV-D of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087a-1087c), as amended, and who are regularly enrolled in:

- a. an institution of higher learning within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education,
- b. an institution of higher learning qualified to become coordinated with The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education. For purposes of this section, a student shall be considered a regularly enrolled student if the student is enrolled in a minimum of five (5) hours of accredited graduate courses or a minimum of ten (10) hours of accredited undergraduate courses, provided, however, the student shall only be required to be enrolled in a minimum of six (6) hours of accredited undergraduate courses during the summer, or
- c. high school students regularly enrolled in a high school in Oklahoma and regularly attending classes during such time of enrollment;

12. The spouses of personnel who are employed on a part-time basis to assist or work as a relief for their spouses in the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department;

13. Service substitute attendants who are needed to replace museum and site attendants who are unavoidably absent. Service substitutes may work as part-time or full-time relief for absentees for a period of not more than four (4) weeks per year in the Oklahoma Historical Society sites and museums; such substitutes will not count towards the agency's full-time-equivalent (FTE) employee limit;

14. Employees of the House of Representatives, the State Senate, or the Legislative Service Bureau;

15. Corporation Commission personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. Administrative aides, and executive secretaries to the Commissioners,
- b. Directors of all the divisions, personnel managers and comptrollers,
- c. General Counsel,
- d. Public Utility Division Chief Engineer,
- e. Public Utility Division Chief Accountant,
- f. Public Utility Division Chief Economist,
- g. Public Utility Division Deputy Director,
- h. Secretary of the Commission,
- i. Deputy Conservation Director,
- j. Manager of Pollution Abatement,
- k. Manager of Field Operations,
- l. Manager of Technical Services,
- m. Public Utility Division Chief of Telecommunications, and
- n. Director of Information Services;

16. At the option of the employing agency, the Supervisor, Director, or Educational Coordinator in any other state agency having a primary responsibility to coordinate educational programs operated for children in state institutions;

17. Bill Willis Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Center personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. Director of Facility,
- b. Deputy Director for Administration,
- c. Clinical Services Director,
- d. Executive Secretary to Director, and
- e. Directors or Heads of Departments or Services;

18. Office of State Finance personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. State Comptroller,

- b. Information Services Division Manager,
- c. Network Manager, and
- d. Network Technician;

19. Employees of the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority;

20. Those positions so specified in the annual business plan of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce;

21. Those positions so specified in the annual business plan of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology;

22. The following positions and employees of the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics:

- a. positions for which the annual salary is Twenty-four Thousand One Hundred Ninety-three Dollars (\$24,193.00) or more, as determined by the Office of Personnel Management, provided no position shall become unclassified because of any change in salary or grade while it is occupied by a classified employee,
- b. positions requiring certification by the State Department of Education, and
- c. positions and employees authorized to be in the unclassified service of the state elsewhere in this section or in subsection B of this section;

23. Office of Personnel Management employees occupying the following positions:

- a. the Carl Albert Internship Program Coordinator, and
- b. one Administrative Assistant;

24. Department of Labor personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. two Deputy Commissioners,
- b. Executive Secretary to the Commissioner,
- c. Chief of Staff, and
- d. two Administrative Assistants;

25. The State Bond Advisor and his employees;

26. The Oklahoma Employment Security Commission employees occupying the following positions:

- a. Associate Director,
- b. Secretary to the Associate Director, and
- c. Assistant to the Executive Director;

27. Oklahoma Human Rights Commission personnel occupying the position of Administrative Assistant;

28. The officers and employees of the State Banking Department;

29. Officers and employees of the University Hospitals Authority except personnel in the state classified service pursuant to Section 3211 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes and members of the University Hospitals Authority Model Personnel System created pursuant to subsection E of Section 3211 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or as otherwise provided for in Section 3213.2 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

30. Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission employees occupying the three Administrative Service Assistant positions;

31. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation employees occupying the following positions:

- a. two special investigators,
- b. one information representative,
- c. one federally funded physical evidence technician,
- d. four federally funded laboratory analysts,
- e. one Data Base Administrator,
- f. two Data Processing Branch Managers,
- g. four Senior Data Processing Applications Specialists,
- h. a total of three positions from the following classes: Senior Data Processing Systems Specialists, Data Processing Applications Specialists, or Data Processing Systems Specialists,
- i. one Senior Computer Services Technician, or Computer Services Technician,
- j. one Senior Computer Services Coordinator, or Computer Services Coordinator, and
- k. one executive secretary in addition to the one authorized pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection;

32. The Department of Transportation, the following positions:

- a. Director of the Oklahoma Aeronautics and Space Commission,
- b. four Department of Transportation Assistant Director positions,
- c. eight field division engineer positions, and
- d. one pilot position;

33. Commissioners of the Land Office employees occupying the following positions:

- a. Director of the Investments Division,
- b. Assistant Director of the Investments Division, and
- c. one Administrative Assistant;

34. Within the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control Commission, the following positions:

- a. two Narcotics Agent positions, provided, authorization for such positions shall be terminated when federal support for the positions by the Gang Intelligence/Enforcement Program is discontinued,
- b. one executive secretary in addition to the one authorized pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection, and
- c. one fiscal officer;

35. The Oklahoma Military Department of the State of Oklahoma is authorized such unclassified employees within full-time employee limitations to work in any of the Department of Defense directed youth programs, the State of Oklahoma Juvenile Justice youth programs, those persons reimbursed from Armory Board or Billeting Fund accounts, and skilled trade positions;

36. Within the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth the following unclassified positions:

- a. one Oversight Specialist and one Community Development Planner,
- b. one State Plan Grant Coordinator, provided authorization for the position shall be terminated when federal support for the position by the United States Department of Education Early Intervention Program is discontinued, and
- c. one executive secretary in addition to the one authorized pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection;

37. The following positions and employees of the Department of Central Services:

- a. one Executive Secretary in addition to the Executive Secretary authorized by paragraph 2 of this subsection,
- b. the Director of Central Purchasing,
- c. one Alternate Fuels Administrator,
- d. one Director of Special Projects,
- e. three postauditors,

- f. four high-technology contracting officers,
- g. one Executive Assistant to the Purchasing Director,
- h. one Contracts Manager,
- i. one Associate Director, and
- j. one specialized HiTech/Food Contracting Officer;

38. One Environmental Specialist I, three Water Quality Specialists, and four Water Resources Division Chiefs within the Oklahoma Water Resources Board;

39. J.D. McCarty Center for Children with Developmental Disabilities personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. Physical Therapists,
- b. Physical Therapist Assistants,
- c. Occupational Therapists,
- d. Certified Occupational Therapist Aides, and
- e. Speech Pathologists;

40. The Development Officer and the Director of the State Museum of History within the Oklahoma Historical Society;

41. State Department of Agriculture personnel occupying the following positions:

- a. one Executive Secretary in addition to the Executive Secretary authorized by paragraph 2 of this subsection,
- b. Agricultural Marketing Coordinator III,
- c. temporary fire suppression personnel, regardless of the number of hours worked, who are employed by the State Department of Agriculture during the period of October 1 through May 31 in any fiscal year; provided, however, notwithstanding the provisions of any other section of law, the hours worked by such employees shall not entitle such employees to any benefits received by full-time employees,
- d. one Administrator for Human Resources,
- e. one Director of Administrative Services,
- f. one Water Quality Consumer Complaint Coordinator,
- g. one hydrologist position,
- h. Public Information Office Director,
- i. Market Development Services Director,

- j. Legal Services Director,
- k. Animal Industry Services Director,
- l. Water Quality Services Director,
- m. Forestry Services Director,
- n. Plant Industry and Consumer Services Director, and
- o. one Grants Administrator position;

42. The Contracts Administrator within the Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Council;

43. All positions and personnel of the Criminal Justice Resource Center within the Department of Public Safety;

44. The Development Officer within the Oklahoma Department of Libraries;

45. Oklahoma Real Estate Commission personnel occupying the following offices and positions:

- a. Educational Program Director, and
- b. Data Processing Manager;

46. A Chief Consumer Credit Examiner for the Department of Consumer Credit; and

47. All officers and employees of the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commemoration Commission.

B. If an agency has the authority to employ personnel in the following offices and positions, the appointing authority shall have the discretion to appoint personnel to the unclassified service:

- 1. Licensed medical doctors, osteopathic physicians, dentists, and psychologists;
- 2. Certified public accountants;
- 3. Licensed attorneys;
- 4. Licensed veterinarians; and
- 5. Licensed pharmacists.

C. Effective July 1, 1996, authorization for unclassified offices, positions, or personnel contained in a bill or joint resolution shall terminate June 30 of the ensuing fiscal year after the authorization unless the authorization is codified in the Oklahoma Statutes or the termination is otherwise provided in the legislation.

D. Agencies having a need to convert and test databases to accommodate the change of the millennium may appoint unclassified programmers, programmer analysts, and systems analysts to perform the work. Appointments so made shall expire not later than June 30,

2000, shall not be included within any limitation on full-time-equivalent (FTE) employee positions for the agency, and shall not be counted against authorized limits for unclassified appointments. Permanent classified employees may request a leave of absence from classified status and accept an unclassified appointment and compensation with the same agency under the provisions of this subsection; provided, the leave shall expire not later than June 30, 2000. Employees accepting the appointment and compensation shall be entitled to participate without interruption in any benefit programs available to classified employees, including retirement and insurance programs. Immediately upon termination of unclassified appointment pursuant to this subsection, an employee on assignment from the classified service shall have a right to be restored to the classified service and reinstated to the former job classification and compensation plus any adjustments and increases in salary or benefits which the employee would have received but for the leave of absence.

SECTION 26. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 419, O.S.L. 1998, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 910.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 910.5 A. Any active member, as of July 1, 1998, whose compensation for service exceeded Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per annum prior to July 1, 1994, and who, prior to July 1, 1998, had voluntarily elected to increase the maximum compensation level pursuant to statutes in effect at that time, shall ~~be refunded or~~ have transferred, pursuant to this subsection and the procedures established by the Board, the employee contributions made on compensation for service which is in excess of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per annum prior to July 1, 1994, with an amount which represents the actuarial assumed earnings of the System of seven and one-half percent (7.5%) compounded annually until the date of transfer. It is the intent of the Legislature that the excess contributions ~~which were paid on a pretax basis and considered as picked up under the provisions of Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986~~ shall be transferred directly to an account established for the employee in the Oklahoma State Employees Deferred Savings Incentive Plan, ~~and the excess contributions which were paid on an after-tax basis and not considered picked up under the provisions of Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 shall be refunded directly to the employee.~~ The provisions for ~~refund or~~ transfer contained in this subsection shall not take effect until the Board receives official written notice that this distribution satisfies the tax qualification requirements for governmental plans applicable to such ~~refunds or~~ transfers as specified in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time and as applicable to governmental plans and the relevant regulatory provisions and guidance related thereto.

B. Any member who is vested or eligible to vest and not participating or retired from the System, as of July 1, 1998, whose compensation for service exceeded Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per annum prior to July 1, 1994, and who, prior to July 1, 1998, had voluntarily elected to increase the maximum compensation level pursuant to statutes in effect at that time, shall be granted, pursuant to this subsection and the procedures established by the Board, a limited retirement benefit in addition to their normal retirement benefit in an amount equivalent to the

additional employee contributions paid by the employee and made on compensation for service which is in excess of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per annum prior to July 1, 1994. The limited benefit shall be payable in an amount equal to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) per month or the amount of additional contributions actually paid, whichever is less, beginning with the first month the member retires and begins to receive monthly retirement benefits until the amount of additional contributions has been paid. Upon the death of the member, the remaining unpaid amount of additional contributions, if any, shall be paid to the member's beneficiary in a lump sum or to the joint annuitant in the same manner as paid to the member if an election of a survivor option has been made pursuant to Section 918 of this title. Any provisions for cost of living or other retirement benefit adjustments shall not be applicable to this limited benefit. The provisions for the limited retirement benefit contained in this subsection shall not take effect until the Board receives official written notice that this distribution satisfies the tax qualification requirements for governmental plans applicable to such refunds or transfers as specified in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time and as applicable to governmental plans and the relevant regulatory provisions and guidance related thereto.

SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 920, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 378, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 920), is amended to read as follows:

Section 920. (1) Effective July 1, 1994, every state agency which is a participating employer shall contribute to the System an amount equal to eleven and one-half percent (11 1/2%) of the monthly compensation of each member, but not in excess of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00).

(2) Effective July 1, 1995, every state agency which is a participating employer shall contribute to the System an amount equal to eleven and one-half percent (11 1/2%) of the monthly compensation of each member, not to exceed the allowable annual compensation as defined in ~~subsection~~ paragraph (9) of Section 902 of this title.

(3) Effective July 1, 1996, every state agency which is a participating employer shall contribute to the System an amount equal to twelve percent (12%) of the monthly compensation of each member, not to exceed the allowable annual compensation defined in ~~subsection~~ paragraph (9) of Section 902 of this title.

(4) Effective July 1, 1999, and thereafter, every state agency which is a participating employer shall contribute to the System an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the monthly compensation of each member, not to exceed the allowable annual compensation defined in ~~subsection~~ paragraph (9) of Section 902 of this title.

(5) The Board shall certify, on or before July 15 of each year, to the Office of State Finance in the case of the state and to the retirement coordinator for each participating employer an actuarially determined estimate of the rate of contribution which will be required, together with all accumulated contributions and other assets of the System, to be paid by each such participating employer to pay all liabilities which shall exist or accrue under the System, including amortization of the past service cost over a

period of not to exceed forty (40) years from June 30, 1987, and the cost of administration of the System, as determined by the Board, upon recommendation of the actuary.

(6) The Office of State Finance and the Governor shall include in the budget and in the budget request for appropriations the sum required to satisfy the state's obligation under this section as certified by the Board and shall present the same to the Legislature for allowance and appropriation.

(7) Each other participating employer shall appropriate and pay to the System a sum sufficient to satisfy the obligation under this section as certified by the Board.

(8) Each participating employer is hereby authorized to pay the employer's contribution from the same fund that the compensation for which said contribution is paid from or from any other funds available to it for such purpose.

(9) Forfeitures arising from severance of employment, death or for any other reason may not be applied to increase the benefits any member would otherwise receive under the System's law. However, forfeitures may be used to reduce an employer's contribution.

SECTION 28. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 1306, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 403, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1306), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1306. The State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board shall administer and manage the group insurance plans and the flexible benefits plan and, subject to the provisions of the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act, Section 1301 et seq. and the State Employees Flexible Benefits Act, Section 1341 et seq. of this title, shall have the following powers and duties:

1. The preparation of specifications for such insurance plans as the Board may be directed to offer;

2. The authority and duty to request bids through the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services for a contract to be the claims administrator for all or any part of such insurance and benefit plans as the Board may be directed to offer;

3. The determination of the methods of claims administration under such insurance and benefit plans as the Board may be directed to offer;

4. The determination of the eligibility of employees and their dependents to participate in each of the Group Insurance Plans and in such other insurance and benefit plans as the Board may be directed to offer and the eligibility of employees other than education employees to participate in the Life Insurance Plan provided that evidence of insurability shall not be a requirement in determining an employee's initial eligibility;

5. The determination of the amount of employee payroll deductions and the responsibility of establishing the procedure by which such deduction shall be made;

6. The establishment of a grievance procedure by which a three-member grievance panel shall act as an appeals body for complaints by insured employees regarding the allowance and payment of claims, eligibility, and other matters. Except for grievances settled to the satisfaction of both parties prior to a hearing, any person who requests in writing a hearing before the grievance panel shall receive a hearing before the panel. The grievance procedure provided by this paragraph shall be the exclusive remedy available to insured employees having complaints against the insurer. Such grievance procedure shall be subject to the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, Section 250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes including provisions thereof for review of agency decisions by the district court. The grievance panel shall schedule a hearing regarding the allowance and payment of claims, eligibility and other matters within sixty (60) days from the date the grievance panel receives a written request for a hearing unless the panel orders a continuance for good cause shown. Upon written request by the insured employee to the grievance panel and received not less than ten (10) days before the hearing date, the grievance panel shall cause a full stenographic record of the proceedings to be made by a competent court reporter at the insured employee's expense;

7. The continuing study of the operation of such insurance and benefit plans as the Board may be directed to offer including such matters as gross and net costs, administrative costs, benefits, utilization of benefits, and claims administration;

8. The administration of the Health, Dental and Life Insurance Reserve Fund or Funds, the Flexible Benefits Revolving Fund and the Education Employees Group Insurance Reserve Fund;

9. The auditing of the claims paid pursuant to the provisions of the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act, the State Employees Flexible Benefits Act and the State Employees Disability Program Act;

10. a. To select and contract with federally qualified Health Maintenance Organizations under the provisions of 42 U.S.C., Section 300e et seq. or with Health Maintenance Organizations licensed by the Department of Health pursuant to Sections 2501 through 2510 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes for consideration by employees as an alternative to the state self-insured health plan, and to transfer to the HMOs such funds as may be approved for an employee electing HMO alternative services. Such HMOs may offer coverage through a point-of-service plan, subject to the guidelines established by the Board.
- b. Benefit plan contracts with the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board, Health Maintenance Organizations, and other third-party insurance vendors shall provide for a risk adjustment factor for adverse selection that may occur, as determined by the Board, based on generally accepted actuarial principles. The risk adjustment factor shall include all members participating in the plans offered by the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board. The Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Council shall contract with an actuary to provide the above

actuarial services, and shall be reimbursed for these contract expenses by the Board.

- c. Effective for the plan year beginning July 1, 1997, and for each year thereafter, in setting health insurance premiums for active employees and for retirees under sixty-five (65) years of age, HMOs, self-insured organizations and prepaid plans shall set the monthly premium for active employees at a maximum of Ninety Dollars (\$90.00) less than the monthly premium for retirees under sixty-five (65) years of age;

11. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1992, to assess and collect a four percent (4%) fee from such contracted HMOs to offset the costs of administration, and to appropriate and pay to the Benefits Council Administration Fund an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of said fee within ten (10) days of collection;

12. To contract for reinsurance, catastrophic insurance, or any other type of insurance deemed necessary by the Board. Provided, however, that the Board shall not offer a health plan which is owned or operated by the state and which utilizes a capitated payment plan for providers which uses a primary care physician as a gatekeeper to any specialty care provided by physician-specialists, unless specifically authorized by the Legislature;

13. The Board, pursuant to the provisions of Section 250 et seq. of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall adopt such rules consistent with the provisions of the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act as it deems necessary to carry out its statutory duties and responsibilities;

14. The Board shall contract for claims administration services with a private insurance carrier or a company experienced in claims administration of any insurance that the Board may be directed to offer. No contract for claims administration services shall be made unless such contract has been offered for bids through the Purchasing Division of the Department of Central Services. The Board shall contract with a private insurance carrier or other experienced claims administrator to process claims with software that is normally used for its customers;

15. The Board shall contract for utilization review services with a company experienced in utilization review, data base evaluation, market research, and planning and performance of the health insurance plan;

16. The Board shall approve the amount of employee premiums and dependent premiums for such insurance plans as the Board shall be directed to offer for each ~~fiscal~~ year no later than the bid submission date for health maintenance organizations set by the Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Council, which for plan year beginning July 1, 2001, shall be set no later than the third Friday of December of the previous fiscal year. The next plan year shall begin January 1, 2002, and on January 1 each year thereafter. For plan year beginning January 1, 2002, and for each year thereafter, the submission date shall be set no later than the third Friday of June of the previous year. Except as otherwise provided for in Section 1321 of this title, the Board shall not have the authority

to adjust the premium rates after approval. The Board shall submit notice of the amount of employee premiums and dependent premiums along with an actuarial projection of the upcoming fiscal year's enrollment, employee contributions, employer contributions, investment earnings, paid claims, internal expenses, external expenses and changes in liabilities to the Director of the Office of State Finance and the Director of the Legislative Service Bureau no later than March 1 of the previous fiscal year.

~~Effective for the plan year beginning July 1, 1997, and for each year thereafter in~~ In setting health insurance premiums for active employees and retirees under sixty-five (65) years of age, the Board shall set the monthly premium for active employees at a maximum of Ninety Dollars (\$90.00) less than the monthly premium for retirees under sixty-five (65) years of age;

17. Before December 1 of each year the Board shall submit to the Director of the Office of State Finance a report outlining the financial condition for the previous fiscal year of all insurance plans offered by the Board. The report shall include a complete explanation of all reserve funds and the actuarial projections on the need for such reserves. The report shall include and disclose an estimate of the future trend of medical costs, the impact from HMO enrollment, antiselection, changes in law, and other contingencies that could impact the financial status of the plan. The Director of the Office of State Finance shall make written comment on the report and shall provide such comment, along with the report submitted by the Board, to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chair of the Oklahoma State Employees Benefits Council by January 15;

18. The Board shall establish a prescription drug card network ~~for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1990;~~

19. The Board shall have the authority to intercept monies owing to plan participants from other state agencies, when those participants in turn, owe money to the Board. The Board shall be required to adopt rules and regulations ensuring the participants due process of law;

20. The Board is authorized to make available to eligible employees supplemental health care benefit plans to include but not be limited to long-term care, deductible reduction plans and employee co-payment reinsurance. Premiums for said plans shall be actuarially based and the cost for such supplemental plans shall be paid by the employee; and

21. There is hereby created as a joint committee of the State Legislature, the Joint Liaison Committee on State and Education Employees Group Insurance Benefits, which Joint Committee shall consist of three members of the Senate to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore thereof and three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker thereof. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Joint Committee shall be appointed from the membership thereof by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively, one of whom shall be a member of the Senate and the other shall be a member of the House of Representatives. At the beginning of the first regular session of each Legislature, starting in 1991, the Chair

shall be from the Senate; thereafter the chairship shall alternate every two (2) years between the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The Joint Liaison Committee on State and Education Employees Group Insurance Benefits shall function as a committee of the State Legislature when the Legislature is in session and when the Legislature is not in session. Each appointed member of said committee shall serve until his or her successor is appointed.

The Joint Liaison Committee on State and Education Employees Group Insurance Benefits shall serve as a liaison with the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board regarding advice, guidance, policy, management, operations, plans, programs and fiscal needs of said Board. Said Board shall not be bound by any action of the Joint Committee.

SECTION 29. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 1316.1, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 255, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1316.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1316.1 A. Any person who retires or who has elected to receive a vested benefit under the provisions of the State of Oklahoma ~~Retirement Systems~~ retirement systems or persons who are currently drawing disability benefits under Section 1331 et seq. of this title or who meet each and every requirement of the State Employees Disability Program or the spouse of any such employee may continue in force the life insurance benefits authorized by this act in a face amount of not less than one-fourth (1/4) but not more than three-fourths (3/4) of the basic life insurance amount, if such election to continue in force is made within thirty (30) days from the time of severance; provided such persons pay the full cost of such life insurance and under such terms and conditions as established by the Board. Further, any such retiree may continue in force any additional life insurance that was purchased prior to retirement, above the three-fourths (3/4) of the basic life insurance amount, at an actuarially adjusted rate and under such terms and conditions as established by the Board.

B. Any retired employee who is receiving a benefit or terminates employment with a vested benefit from the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma and who becomes enrolled in the health insurance plan offered by the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Act, pursuant to subsection E of Section 5-117.5 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, may elect to purchase life insurance benefits in amounts and at a cost as provided for in this section.

C. In lieu of subsection A of this section, any person who retires or who has elected to receive a vested benefit under the provisions of the State of Oklahoma retirement systems and who is participating in a health insurance plan, the dental insurance plan, or the life insurance plan offered by the State and Education Employees Group Insurance Board, including such persons who are currently drawing disability benefits under Section 1331 et seq. of this title or who meet each and every requirement of the State Employees Disability Program on or before July 1, 1999, or the spouse of any such person may elect to purchase life insurance benefits authorized by this subsection in a face amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). Eligible persons pursuant to this subsection shall make an election by January 1,

2000, to purchase the life insurance coverage provided in this subsection. Life insurance coverage pursuant to this subsection shall depend upon providing satisfactory evidence of insurability for the person who is to be covered. Life insurance coverage, pursuant to this subsection, shall be purchased in blocks of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). The premium for such life insurance coverage shall be at a blended rate and shall be set by the Board. The Board shall promulgate rules necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 30. AMENDATORY 75 O.S. 1991, Section 250.4, as last amended by Section 11, Chapter 423, O.S.L. 1999 (75 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 250.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 250.4 A. 1. Except as is otherwise specifically provided in this subsection, each agency is required to comply with Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act.

2. The Corporation Commission shall be required to comply with the provisions of Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act except for subsections A, B, C and E of Section 303 of this title and Section 306 of this title. To the extent of any conflict or inconsistency with Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act, pursuant to Section 35 of Article IX of the Oklahoma Constitution, it is expressly declared that Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act is an amendment to and alteration of Sections 18 through 34 of Article IX of the Oklahoma Constitution.

3. The Oklahoma Military Department shall be exempt from the provisions of Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act to the extent it exercises its responsibility for military affairs.

4. The Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority ~~and~~, the Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority and the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma College Savings Plan shall be exempt from Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act.

5. The Oklahoma Transportation Commission and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall be exempt from Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act to the extent they exercise their authority in adopting standard specifications, special provisions, plans, design standards, testing procedures, federally imposed requirements and generally recognized standards, project planning and programming, and the operation and control of the State Highway System.

6. The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education shall be exempt from Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act with respect to:

- a. prescribing standards of higher education,
- b. prescribing functions and courses of study in each institution to conform to the standards,
- c. granting of degrees and other forms of academic recognition for completion of the prescribed courses,
- d. allocation of state-appropriated funds, and

e. fees within the limits prescribed by the Legislature.

7. Institutional governing boards within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education shall be exempt from Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act.

8. a. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall be exempt from Sections 303.1, 303.2, 307.1, 308 and 308.1 of this title insofar as it is necessary to promulgate rules pursuant to the Oklahoma Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, to maintain a current incorporation of federal motor carrier safety and hazardous material regulations for which the Commissioner has no discretion when the state is mandated to promulgate rules identical to federal rules and regulations.
- b. Such rules may be adopted by the Commissioner and shall be deemed promulgated twenty (20) days after notice of adoption is published in "The Oklahoma Register". Such publication need not set forth the full text of the rule but may incorporate the federal rules and regulations by reference.
- c. Such copies of promulgated rules shall be filed with the Secretary as required by Section 251 of this title.
- d. For any rules for which the Commissioner has discretion to allow variances, tolerances or modifications from the federal rules and regulations, the Commissioner shall fully comply with Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act.

9. The Council on Judicial Complaints shall be exempt from Section 306 of Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act, with respect to review of the validity or applicability of a rule by an action for declaratory judgment, or any other relief based upon the validity or applicability of a rule, in the district court or by an appellate court. A party aggrieved by the validity or applicability of a rule made by the Council on Judicial Complaints may petition the Court on the Judiciary to review the rules and issue opinions based upon them.

B. As specified, the following agencies or classes of agency activities are not required to comply with the provisions of Article II of the Administrative Procedures Act:

1. The Oklahoma Tax Commission;
2. The Commission for Human Services;
3. The Oklahoma Ordnance Works Authority;
4. The Oklahoma Corporation Commission;
5. The Pardon and Parole Board;
6. The Midwestern Oklahoma Development Authority;

7. The Grand River Dam Authority;
8. The Northeast Oklahoma Public Facilities Authority;
9. The Council on Judicial Complaints;
10. The Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma College Savings Plan;

11. The supervisory or administrative agency of any penal, mental, medical or eleemosynary institution, only with respect to the institutional supervision, custody, control, care or treatment of inmates, prisoners or patients therein; provided, that the provisions of Article II shall apply to and govern all administrative actions of the Oklahoma Alcohol Prevention, Training, Treatment and Rehabilitation Authority;

~~11.~~ 12. The Board of Regents or employees of any university, college, or other institution of higher learning, except with respect to expulsion of any student for disciplinary reasons; provided, that upon any alleged infraction by a student of rules of such institutions, with a lesser penalty than expulsion, such student shall be entitled to such due process, including notice and hearing, as may be otherwise required by law, and the following grounds of misconduct, if properly alleged in disciplinary proceedings against a student, shall be cause to be barred from the campus and be removed from any college or university-owned housing, upon conviction in a court of law:

- a. participation in a riot as defined by the penal code,
- b. possession or sale of any drugs or narcotics prohibited by the penal code, Section 1 et seq. of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or
- c. willful destruction of or willful damage to state property;

~~12.~~ 13. The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, its employees or agents only with respect to hearing and notice requirements on the following classes of violations which are an imminent peril to the public health, safety and welfare:

- a. any rule regarding the running of a race,
- b. any violation of medication laws and rules,
- c. any suspension or revocation of an occupation license by any racing jurisdiction recognized by the Commission,
- d. any assault or other destructive acts within Commission-licensed premises,
- e. any violation of prohibited devices, laws and rules, or
- f. any filing of false information;

~~13.~~ 14. The Commissioner of Public Safety only with respect to drivers' license hearings and hearings conducted pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-115 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~14.~~ 15. The Administrator of the Department of Securities only with respect to hearings conducted pursuant to provisions of the Oklahoma Take-over Disclosure Act of 1985;

~~15.~~ 16. Hearings conducted by a public agency pursuant to Section 962 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

~~16.~~ 17. The Oklahoma Military Department;

~~17.~~ 18. The University Hospitals Authority, including all hospitals or other institutions operated by the University Hospitals Authority;

~~18.~~ 19. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board and the Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; and

~~19.~~ 20. The position audit procedure, including the impartial review process, of the Office of Personnel Management pursuant to Section 840-4.3 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided, that any appeal from an impartial review determination to a court of competent jurisdiction shall be confined to the record in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the Administrative Procedures Act.

SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 644, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 309, O.S.L. 1999 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 644), is amended to read as follows:

Section 644. A. Assault shall be punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding thirty (30) days, or by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or both such fine and imprisonment.

B. Assault and battery shall be punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding ninety (90) days, or by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by both such imprisonment and fine.

C. Any person who commits any assault and battery against a current or former spouse, a present spouse of a former spouse, parents, a foster parent, a child, a person otherwise related by blood or marriage, a person with whom the defendant is in a dating relationship as defined by Section 60.1 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, an individual with whom the defendant has had a child, a person who formerly lived in the same household as the defendant, or a person living in the same household as the defendant shall be guilty of domestic abuse. Upon conviction, the defendant shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine of not more than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any person convicted of domestic abuse as defined in this subsection that was committed in the presence of a child shall be sentenced to not less than six (6) months. Any second or subsequent conviction of domestic abuse shall be a felony. Any person convicted of a second or subsequent domestic abuse as defined in this subsection that was committed in the presence of a child shall be sentenced to not less

than one (1) year. The fine for a felony violation of this subsection shall not be more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). Every conviction of domestic abuse shall require as a condition of a suspended sentence that the defendant participate in counseling or treatment to bring about the cessation of domestic abuse. The defendant may be required to pay all or part of the cost of the counseling or treatment, in the discretion of the court. As used in this section, "in the presence of a child" means in the physical presence of a child; or having knowledge that a child is present and may see or hear an act of domestic violence. For the purposes of this subsection, any conviction for assault and battery against a current or former spouse, a present spouse of a former spouse, parents, a foster parent, a child, a person otherwise related by blood or marriage, a person with whom the defendant is in a dating relationship as defined by Section 60.1 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes, an individual with whom the defendant has had a child, a person who formerly lived in the same household as the defendant, or any person living in the same household as the defendant, shall constitute a sufficient basis for a felony charge:

1. If that conviction is rendered in any state, county or parish court of record of this or any other state; or

2. If that conviction is rendered in any municipal court of record of this or any other state for which any jail time was served; provided, no conviction in a municipal court of record entered prior to November 1, 1997, shall constitute a prior conviction for purposes of a felony charge.

SECTION 32. AMENDATORY 61 O.S. 1991, Section 130, as last amended by Section 16, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1998 (61 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 130), is amended to read as follows:

Section 130. A. The provisions of the Public Competitive Bidding Act with reference to notice and bids shall not apply whenever the governing body of a public agency declares by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all of the members of the governing body that an emergency exists; provided, the Oklahoma Transportation Commission and the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission may, by majority vote of all the members of each Commission, declare that an emergency exists.

B. The governing bodies of all public agencies are further authorized, upon approval of two-thirds (2/3) of all of the members of the governing body, to delegate to the chief administrative officer of a public agency the authority to declare an emergency situation, in which event the provisions of the Public Competitive Bidding Act with reference to notice and bids shall not apply, but such authority shall not extend to any contract exceeding Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) in amount; provided, such authority of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall not extend to any contract exceeding ~~One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00)~~ Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in amount.

C. An emergency declared by the Board of Corrections pursuant to subsection C of Section 65 of this title shall exempt the Department of Corrections from the limits which would otherwise be imposed pursuant to subsection B of this section for the contracting and construction of new or expanded correctional facilities.

D. Whenever ~~said~~ the chief administrative officer shall declare such an emergency ~~he,~~ the chief administrative officer shall notify the governing body, the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of such action within ten (10) days. Such notification shall contain a statement of the reasons for ~~his~~ the action, and shall be recorded in the official minutes of ~~said~~ the governing body.

E. Emergency as used in this section shall be limited to conditions resulting from a sudden unexpected happening or unforeseen occurrence or condition and situation wherein the public health or safety is endangered.

F. The reasons for declaring an emergency and not complying with the provisions of the Public Competitive Bidding Act shall be entered into the official minutes of the governing body of the public agency. Copies of said minutes shall be submitted to the State Construction Administrator of the Department of Central Services who shall compile an annual report detailing all emergencies declared pursuant to this section during the previous calendar year. The report shall be submitted to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 33. REPEALER Section 72, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 1999 (10 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 7301-1.3), 18 O.S. 1991, Sections 552.3, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999, 552.7, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 325, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 3, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999, and 552.9, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 377, O.S.L. 1999 (18 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 552.3, 552.7 and 552.9), 22 O.S. 1991, Section 991c, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1999 (22 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 991c), Section 3, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 1999 (25 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 307.1), Section 12, Chapter 215, O.S.L. 1992, as renumbered by Section 359, Chapter 145, O.S.L. 1993, and as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 131, O.S.L. 1999 (27A O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 2-5-112), 28 O.S. 1999, Section 153, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 359, O.S.L. 1999 (28 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 42 O.S. 1991, Section 153, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 212, O.S.L. 1999 (42 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 153), 47 O.S. 1991, Sections 6-101, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 278, O.S.L. 1999, 11-902, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 308, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 2, Chapter 391, O.S.L. 1999, and 1115, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 178, O.S.L. 1999 (47 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 6-101, 11-902 and 1115), 59 O.S. 1991, Section 1750.5, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 68, O.S.L. 1999 (59 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1750.5), 63 O.S. 1991, Section 4021, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 278, O.S.L. 1999 (63 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 4021), 68 O.S. 1991, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 243, O.S.L. 1999 and by Section 1, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 7, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 1993, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 203, O.S.L. 1999 (68 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 1357 and 3607), 69 O.S. 1991, Section 1705, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 341, O.S.L. 1999 (69 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1705), 70 O.S. 1991, Section 5-117, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 244, O.S.L. 1999, 18-108, as last amended by Section 53, Chapter 320, O.S.L. 1999, Section 4, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 8, Chapter 271, O.S.L. 1999, and Section 5, Chapter 276, O.S.L. 1996, as amended by Section 9,

Chapter 271, O.S.L. 1999 (70 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 5-117, 18-108, 3517.1 and 3517.2), 74 O.S. 1991, Sections 85.4, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 289, O.S.L. 1999, 85.7, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1999, 85.12, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 197, O.S.L. 1999, 500.2, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 121, O.S.L. 1999, 840.8, as renumbered by Section 54, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994, and as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 1999, Section 12, Chapter 419, O.S.L. 1998, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 279, O.S.L. 1999, 920, as last amended by Section 43, Chapter 257, O.S.L. 1999, 1306, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 255, O.S.L. 1999, 1316.1, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 208, O.S.L. 1999 (74 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 85.4, 85.7, 85.12, 500.2, 840-5.5, 910.5, 920, 1306 and 1316.1), and 75 O.S. 1991, Section 250.4, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 142, O.S.L. 1999 (75 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 250.4), are hereby repealed.

SECTION 34. REPEALER 21 O.S. 1991, Sections 644, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 368, O.S.L. 1997, and 650.2, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 333, O.S.L. 1997 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Sections 644 and 650.2), 10 O.S. 1991, Section 1149, as renumbered by Section 200, Chapter 352, O.S.L. 1995, and as last amended by Section 37, Chapter 293, O.S.L. 1997 (21 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 650.8), and 61 O.S. 1991, Section 130, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 72, O.S.L. 1997 (61 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 130), are hereby repealed.

SECTION 35. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 1st day of March, 2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

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

President of the Senate