

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1739

By: Case

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to elections; amending 26 O.S. 1991, Section 5-105a, which relates to offenses which disqualify a person from being a candidate for or holding public office; clarifying disqualification in regards to candidates for the Oklahoma Legislature; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 5-105a, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-105a. A. A person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or of the United States or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such misdemeanor involving embezzlement or felony or who has been convicted of a crime in another state which would have been a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such crime shall not be eligible to be a candidate for or to be elected to any state, county, municipal, judicial or school office or any other elective office of any political subdivision of this state for a period of fifteen (15) years following completion of his sentence or during the pendency of an appeal of such conviction or plea; provided however, if the office is in the Oklahoma Legislature and the crime is a felony, then in accordance with Section 18 of Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution, such a person shall never be eligible to either be a candidate for such office or to hold such office.

B. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to preclude a person who has received a pardon from being eligible for or from holding public office.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1999.

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