

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

SENATE BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

By: Herbert

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to state employees; amending Section 12, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 840-5.10), which relates to the State Insurance Fund; modifying statutory reference; providing unclassified status for remaining positions; providing exception; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 242, O.S.L. 1994 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 840-5.10), is amended to read as follows:

Section 840-5.10 A. The State Insurance Fund shall be under the Merit System. Except as otherwise provided in subsection B of this section, all offices, positions and personnel shall be classified and subject to the provisions of the Merit System of Personnel Administration and rules promulgated hereunder. This section shall supersede and repeal any and all executive orders issued pursuant to this act to place the agency or its predecessors under the Merit System.

B. In addition to offices, positions and personnel that are unclassified pursuant to ~~Section 8 of this act~~ Section 840-5.5 of this title, the following offices, positions and personnel shall be in the unclassified service:

1. Commissioner;
2. Deputy Commissioner;
3. Administrative Assistants to the Commissioner;

4. Executive Secretaries to the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner;
5. Law Clerks and Legal Assistants;
6. Special Counsel;
7. General Counsel;
8. Medical Analysts Supervisor;
9. Medical Analysts;
10. Field Adjusters;
11. Investment Officer;
12. Workers' Compensation Insurance Consultants;
13. Workers' Compensation Insurance Technicians;
14. Fraud Investigation Specialists; ~~and~~
15. Collections Attorneys; and
16. Up to fifteen percent (15%) of the remaining positions at the State Insurance Fund; provided, however, that nothing herein shall change the status of any classified employee currently employed by the State Insurance Fund so long as that employee remains in the same classified position.

SECTION 2. 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.

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