

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 59

By: Monson of the Senate

and

Mitchell of the House

An Act relating to state government; amending Section 5, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1993 (74 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 166.5), which relates to powers and duties of the Commission for Rehabilitation Services; deleting obsolete language; expanding powers and duties; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 5, Chapter 364, O.S.L. 1993 (74 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 166.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 166.5 ~~Effective July 1, 1993, in order to effectuate the transfer of the Rehabilitation Services Division of the Oklahoma Public Welfare Commission and the Department of Human Services to the Commission for Rehabilitation Services, the~~ The Commission for Rehabilitation Services shall have the powers and duties to:

1. Adopt bylaws and promulgate rules for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
2. Adopt an official seal;
3. Establish an office;
4. Sue and to be sued, subject to the provisions of the Governmental Tort Claims Act, Section 151 et seq. of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
5. Make and enter into all contracts necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers;
6. Purchase or lease equipment, furniture, materials and supplies, and incur such other expenses as may be necessary to maintain and operate the Commission and the State Department of Rehabilitation Services, or to discharge its duties and responsibilities or to make any of its powers effective;
7. Acquire by purchase, lease, gift, solicitation of gift or by any other manner, and to maintain, use and operate or to contract for the maintenance, use and operation of or lease of any and all

property of any kind, real, personal or mixed or any interest therein unless otherwise provided by this act; provided that, all contracts for real property shall be subject to the provisions of Section 63 of this title; and

8. Appoint such officers, agents and employees as it deems necessary to operate and maintain the Commission and to prescribe their duties and to fix their compensation.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2001.

Passed the Senate the 5th day of March, 2001.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 9th day of April, 2001.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives