

ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENT
TO
ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1101

By: Easley of the House

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An Act relating to the Oklahoma Personnel Act; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Sections 840-1.7, 840-6.2 and 840-6.5, which relate to the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission; limiting years of service on the Commission; expanding duties of the Commission to include internal agency grievance actions; allowing the Commission to issue Final Petition Decisions regarding issues raised in certain petitions; and providing an effective date.

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 4, line 23, delete all of subsection J and insert a new subsection to read

"J. The Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission shall assume jurisdiction to administer internal agency grievance actions that have not been resolved within forty-five (45) days, unless time for resolution has been extended for good cause by mutual agreement of the employee and the agency. If the agency receiving a grievance alleging discrimination determines that an investigation of the allegations is required, the forty-five-day time limit to complete the grievance shall be tolled until the investigation is completed. Assumption of jurisdiction to administer grievances which have not been resolved within forty-five (45) days shall not transfer authority to resolve the merits of the grievance to the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission unless the grievance alleges violations of the Oklahoma Personnel Act or Merit Rules."

and amend the title to conform

Passed the Senate the 21st day of April, 2003.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2003.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives