

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1129

By: Crutchfield, Rabon and
Johnson (Constance) of the
Senate

and

Benge and Newport of the
House

An Act relating to the State Capitol; directing Department of Central Services to provide for renovation of certain space; stating legislative intent; requiring certain cooperation between agencies; specifying certain duties of Department of Tourism and Recreation; providing for use of certain funds; directing certain funds transfers; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 15.5 of Title 73, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Central Services is hereby directed to:

1. Provide for the renovation of approximately three thousand two hundred twenty (3,220) square feet of space in the south wing of the first floor in the State Capitol Building so that such space is available to be used as a visitors' center;

2. Provide for the renovation of approximately one thousand one hundred (1,100) square feet of space in the northwest corner of the south wing of the first floor in the State Capitol Building so that such space is available to be used as an orientation theater; and

3. Provide for the renovation of the central area of the west wing of the first floor in the State Capitol so that such space is available to be used as a gallery in the same manner that corresponding space in the east wing of the first floor is used on the effective date of this act.

It is the intent of the Legislature that such visitors' center, orientation theater and gallery be open to the public not later than November 16, 2007. The Department is directed to cooperate with the Capitol Architect and Curator for the design of such renovations, which shall be made in such a manner as to ensure preservation and

maintenance of the cultural and historic integrity of the State Capitol Building.

B. The Department of Tourism and Recreation is hereby directed to provide for the operation and maintenance of the visitors' center and orientation theater.

C. Interest earned on construction funds with respect to completed projects funded by the Oklahoma Capitol Improvement Authority Series 1999A Bonds to pay for additional land acquisition and other costs associated with the Lincoln Boulevard Renaissance Project shall be used for the purposes specified in subsection A of this section and for the purpose of acquiring additional land, demolition, landscaping, environmental remediation and other costs associated with the Lincoln Boulevard Renaissance Project. The Director of State Finance is hereby directed to transfer funds as needed to accomplish the intent of this section.

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.

Passed the Senate the 26th day of May, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of May, 2006.

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