

CS for SB 1783

1 THE STATE SENATE
2 Tuesday, February 28, 2006

3 Committee Substitute for
4 Senate Bill No. 1783

5 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1783 - By: RABON of the
6 Senate and JACKSON of the House.

7 [state employees - appeal procedure - defining term -
8 codification - effective date]

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

10 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2.5 of Title 74, unless there is
12 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 A. Any employee of the Department of Wildlife Conservation
14 aggrieved by disciplinary action resulting from a complaint from a
15 member of the public may file an appeal with the Oklahoma Merit
16 Protection Commission within sixty (60) days of the alleged
17 disciplinary action. The Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission shall
18 promulgate rules in compliance with the Administrative Procedures
19 Act for the conduct of investigations of such complaints. The
20 Executive Director shall appoint a hearing examiner to hear the case
21 as provided for in Sections 840-6.6 through 840-6.9 of Title 74 of
22 the Oklahoma Statutes.

23 B. As used in this section, "disciplinary action" means any
24 direct or indirect form of discipline, any dismissal, demotion,

1 transfer, reassignment, suspension, reprimand, admonishment, warning
2 of possible dismissal, reduction in force, reduction in rank,
3 reduction in status, or withholding of work.

4 C. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall not take any
5 disciplinary action against an employee for filing an appeal with
6 the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission pursuant to the provisions
7 of this section.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 2-22-06 - DO
10 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.