

An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Sections 840-1.6, 840-1.9, 840-2.27C, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 277, O.S.L. 2004, 840-4.17, as last amended by Section 12, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2004, 840-5.1, 840-5.5, as last amended by Section 28, Chapter 418, O.S.L. 2004, and 840-6.5, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 2003 (74 O.S. Supp. 2004, Sections 840-2.27C, 840-4.17, 840-5.5 and 840-6.5), which relate to the Oklahoma Personnel Act; requiring Administrator to employ certain position; modifying powers and duties of the Oklahoma Merit Protection Commission; deleting obsolete language; clarifying language; requiring reduction-in-force implementation plan to be submitted to certain entities; requiring Administrator of the Office of Personnel Management to conduct certain audits to determine compliance with certain provisions; providing procedures in cases of noncompliance; requiring Office of Personnel Management to promulgate certain rules; providing for employment preferences for certain persons with respect to unclassified positions; providing procedures; requiring Office of Personnel Management to establish certain system; requiring certain notice in demotion action; creating Task Force for the Study of Classified and Unclassified Positions in State Government; providing for membership, purpose, duties, recommendations, organization, meetings, votes, travel reimbursement, staffing and report of Task Force; defining terms; subjecting Task Force to certain provisions of law; specifying certain duties of Office of Personnel Management; amending Section 1, Chapter 376, O.S.L. 2003 (68 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 238.2), which relates to state employee compliance with state income tax laws; modifying contents of certain statement; providing that certain disciplinary actions be subject to procedures of Oklahoma Personnel Act; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.