

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 50th Legislature (2005)

HOUSE BILL 1551

By: Wright

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to sunset; creating the Oklahoma Sunset Advisory Commission; stating purpose; specifying duties; providing for membership and terms of the Commission; requiring recommendations; providing for codification; providing an effective date; 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 3922 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created the "Oklahoma Sunset Advisory Commission". The purpose of the Commission shall be to identify and eliminate waste, duplication, and inefficiency in state agencies.

B. The Commission shall review the policies and procedures of all state agencies once every twelve (12) years. The Commission shall:

1. Question the need for each state agency;
2. Look for potential duplication of other public revenues or programs; and
3. Consider new and innovative changes to improve state agency operations and activities.

C. The Commission shall be composed of ten (10) members as follows:

1. Four members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives,

one of which shall be the chair of the Government Reform, Agency Oversight, and Administrative Rules Committee;

2. Four members of the State Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate;

3. One person from the private sector appointed by the Governor; and

4. One person from the private sector appointed by the Lieutenant Governor.

The members of the Commission shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

D. The Commission shall seek public input through hearings on every agency under Sunset review and recommend action on each agency to the full Legislature. Agencies reviewed by the Commission and recommended for abolishment shall be automatically abolished unless legislation is enacted to continue the agencies.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. 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.

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