

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 1565

By: Sullivan

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to jurors; amending 38 O.S. 2001, Section 18, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 234, O.S.L. 2003 (38 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 18), which relates to method of ascertaining names of persons qualified for jury service; modifying method of ascertaining names; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2001, Section 18, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 234, O.S.L. 2003 (38 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 18), is amended to read as follows:

Section 18. For the purpose of ascertaining names of all persons qualified for jury service:

1. ~~The Commissioner of Public Safety shall cause to be provided~~
secretary of each county election board shall provide to the Administrative Director of the Courts, not later than the first day of October of each year, a list by county of residence of persons who reside in the county, who are eighteen (18) years of age or older, and who are ~~holders of a current driver license or a current identification license issued by the Department of Public Safety~~
registered voters in the county as of January 1 of that year. The list shall contain the name, date of birth, and mailing address of each person listed. The list shall be used exclusively for jury selection purposes. The Administrative Director of the Courts and the court clerk shall not copy or permit any person to copy the list or any portion thereof for purposes other than jury selection;

2. All names and addresses of the persons so listed under the provisions of paragraph 1 of this section shall be used thereafter in the selection of juries; provided, however, no jury panel shall be quashed because of a duplication of names;

3. The list will be furnished by the Administrative Director of the Courts to the court clerks according to the period of time prescribed by the Administrative Director of the Courts;

4. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to preclude persons otherwise qualified to serve as jurors from volunteering for jury service in a manner prescribed by the Administrative Director of the Courts; and

5. The Administrative Director of the Courts may accept changes or corrections in a mailing address or county of residence of a qualified juror from such qualified juror. Changes may be accepted in any manner prescribed by the Administrative Director of the Courts.

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

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