

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 2700

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Rules of the Ethics Commission; amending Rule 257:15-1-3 of the Rules of the Ethics Commission (74 O.S. 2001, Ch. 62, App.), which relates to individuals who must file financial disclosure statements with the Ethics Commission; modifying list of individuals who must file statements of financial interest or statements of no change; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Rule 257:15-1-3 of the Rules of the Ethics Commission (74 O.S. 2001, Ch. 62, App.), is amended to read as follows:

Rule 257:15-1-3. (a) The following individuals shall file, by paper form or computer diskette, or electronically transmit a statement of financial interests or a statement of no change with the Commission:

(1) a state officer except for those excluded from the definition of a public member;

(2) the chief administrative officer and the first assistant administrative officer of a governmental entity;

(3) the owner or owners, the chief executive officer, and any stockholder owning more than ten percent (10%) of the stock of any private business hired by a governmental entity to perform any administrative functions that include spending decisions for the governmental entity;

(4) a state employee who determines state policy or who makes final spending decisions for the state or any governmental entity;

~~(4)~~ (5) an individual who is a candidate to become an elective officer; and

~~(5)~~ (6) a public member.

Electronic filings shall be followed by delivering, faxing or mailing a signed paper copy of the statement received or postmarked by the date the statement was due.

(b) For purposes of Chapters 15 and 20, a person who makes final spending decisions shall include a person who:

(1) participates in the review and analysis of bid specifications;

(2) assists in the review and analysis of bids;

(3) recommends for selection bidders~~;~~;

(4) prepares or approves requisitions for purchases against previously bid statewide or agency issued contracts~~;~~;

(5) are in the claim preparation or approval process who can exercise discretion and who can cause previously made purchasing decisions to be reviewed before payment is made.

(c) A person who makes final spending decisions shall not include a person who:

(1) performs clerical duties related to purchasing and claim processing; or

(2) is involved in substantive purchasing duties but is restricted to individual purchases of less than twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

(d) A full-time or adjunct faculty member of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, who neither determines state policy nor makes final spending decisions for the state or any governmental entity, shall not be required to file a statement of financial interests.

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

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