

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1358

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Grand River Dam Authority; amending 82 O.S. 2001, Section 864, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 459, O.S.L. 2003 (82 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 864), which relates to compensation of employees; modifying requirement for certain compensation study; excluding certain management employees from study; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2001, Section 864, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 459, O.S.L. 2003 (82 O.S. Supp. 2005, Section 864), is amended to read as follows:

Section 864. A. 1. The Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam Authority shall select a secretary who shall keep true and complete records of all proceedings of the Board. Until the appointment of a secretary, or in the event of absence or inability to act, a secretary pro tempore shall be selected by the Board.

2. The Board shall also select a general manager, who shall be the chief executive officer of the district, and a treasurer, who may also hold the office of secretary.

3. All such officers shall have the powers and duties, and shall hold office for such term and be subject to removal in such manner as may be provided in the compensation of such officers. The Board may appoint such officers, fix their compensation and term of office and the method by which they may be removed and delegate to them such other powers and duties as it may deem appropriate.

4. Except for the purpose of inquiry, the Board and its members shall deal with the operations of the district solely through the general manager. The Board and its members shall not:

- a. direct or request the general manager or other authority to appoint or remove officers or employees except as herein provided,
- b. participate in any manner in the appointment or removal of officers and employees of the district, except as provided by law, or
- c. give orders or ordinary administrative matters to any subordinate of the general manager either publicly or privately.

B. The general manager may appoint such other officers, agents, and employees, fix their compensation pursuant to the provisions of this section, and term of office and the method by which they may be removed, and delegate to them such of its power and duties as the general manager may deem proper.

C. Except as provided in subsection A of this section, the compensation of the classified employees of the Grand River Dam Authority shall be computed as follows:

1. Beginning July 1, 1993, and biannually thereafter, the Office of Personnel Management shall conduct a comprehensive classification and compensation study of all classified and unclassified positions in the Grand River Dam Authority, with the exception of the general manager and the management employees appointed pursuant to subsection B of this section. The study shall be limited to an analysis of prevailing rates of pay for all positions in electrical generating utilities for jobs comparable to those performed by employees of the Grand River Dam Authority. Such study shall compare all classified and unclassified positions within the Grand River Dam Authority, including all administrative, support and maintenance staff employees, with comparable positions within

other similarly sized electrical generating utilities only. Each biannual report shall be provided to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam Authority. The report shall include an analysis of all classified and unclassified positions and classifications and recommend an average comparable pay scale developed through the study. The Grand River Dam Authority shall bear the cost of the study;

2. Upon the issuance of any such report, the Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam Authority shall implement the classification and compensation recommendations as appropriate, if fiscal constraints and commitments to ratepayers permit; and

3. The Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam Authority may implement adjustments in compensation to correct inequities as determined by the Board of Directors. The total of these adjustments and those described in paragraph 2 of this subsection may increase the base payroll in excess of the recommendation in the Office of Personnel Management study.

SECTION 2. 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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