

1 Section 14.1 In addition to any appointments created by expiring terms or
2 vacancies provided by law, the Governor shall have the power to appoint and replace up
3 to forty percent (40%) of gubernatorial appointments on any agency, board, or
4 commission within the first twelve (12) months of the Governor's term of office.

5 Section 10. There is hereby created a Pardon and Parole Board to be composed of
6 five members; three to be appointed by the Governor; one by the Chief Justice of the
7 Supreme Court; one by the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Court of Appeals or its
8 successor. An attorney member of the Board shall be prohibited from representing in the
9 courts of this state persons charged with felony offenses. The appointed members shall
10 hold their offices coterminous with that of the Governor and shall be removable for cause
11 ~~only~~ in the manner provided by law for elective officers not liable to impeachment.

12 Members of the Board appointed by the Governor shall be subject to the provisions of
13 Section 14.1 of this Article. It shall be the duty of the Board to make an impartial
14 investigation and study of applicants for commutations, pardons or paroles, and by a
15 majority vote make its recommendations to the Governor of all deemed worthy of
16 clemency. Provided, the Pardon and Parole Board shall have no authority to make
17 recommendations regarding parole for convicts sentenced to death or sentenced to life
18 imprisonment without parole.

19 The Governor shall have the power to grant, after conviction and after favorable
20 recommendation by a majority vote of the said Board, commutations, pardons and
21 paroles for all offenses, except cases of impeachment, upon such conditions and with such
22 restrictions and limitations as he may deem proper, subject to such regulations as may

1 be prescribed by law. Provided, the Governor shall not have the power to grant paroles if
2 a convict has been sentenced to death or sentenced to life imprisonment without parole.
3 The Legislature shall have the authority to prescribe a minimum mandatory period of
4 confinement which must be served by a person prior to being eligible to be considered for
5 parole. The Governor shall have power to grant after conviction, reprieves, or leaves of
6 absence not to exceed sixty (60) days, without the action of said Board.

7 He shall communicate to the Legislature, at each regular session, each case of
8 reprieve, commutation, parole or pardon, granted, stating the name of the convict, the
9 crime of which he was convicted, the date and place of conviction, and the date of
10 commutation, pardon, parole and reprieve.

11 Section 31a. There is hereby created a Board of Regents for the Oklahoma
12 Agricultural and Mechanical College and all Agricultural and Mechanical Schools and
13 Colleges maintained in whole or in part by the State. The Board shall consist of nine (9)
14 members, eight (8) members to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and
15 consent of the Senate, a majority of whom shall be farmers, and the ninth member shall
16 be the President of the State Board of Agriculture. Any vacancy occurring among the
17 appointed members shall be filled by appointment of the Governor by and with the advice
18 and consent of the Senate. The members of the Board shall be removable ~~only~~ for cause
19 as provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment. Members of
20 the Board appointed by the Governor shall be subject to the provisions of Section 14.1 of
21 this Article. The members shall be appointed for terms of eight (8) years each, with one
22 term expiring each year, provided that the members of the first Board shall be appointed

1 for terms of from one (1) to eight (8) years respectively. Provided that no State, National
2 or County officer shall ever be appointed as a member of said Board of Regents until two
3 years after his tenure as such officer has ceased.

4 ARTICLE XIII-A

5 Section 2. There is hereby established the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher
6 Education, consisting of nine (9) members, whose qualifications may be prescribed by
7 law. The Board shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Governor, and
8 confirmed by the Senate, and who shall be removable ~~only~~ for cause, as provided by law
9 for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment. Members of the Board shall be
10 subject to the provisions of Section 14.1 of Article VI of this Constitution. Upon the
11 taking effect of this Article, the Governor shall appoint the said Regents for terms of
12 office as follows: one for a term of one year, one for a term of two years, one for a term of
13 three years, one for a term of four years, one for a term of five years, one for a term of six
14 years, one for a term of seven years, one for a term of eight years, and one for a term of
15 nine years. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the balance of the term only.
16 Except as above designated, the term of office of said Regents shall be nine years or until
17 their successors are appointed and qualified.

18 The Regents shall constitute a coordinating board of control for all State
19 institutions described in Section 1 hereof, with the following specific powers: (1) it shall
20 prescribe standards of higher education applicable to each institution; (2) it shall
21 determine the functions and courses of study in each of the institutions to conform to the
22 standards prescribed; (3) it shall grant degrees and other forms of academic recognition

1 for completion of the prescribed courses in all of such institutions; (4) it shall recommend
2 to the State Legislature the budget allocations to each institution, and; (5) it shall have
3 the power to recommend to the Legislature proposed fees for all of such institutions, and
4 any such fees shall be effective only within the limits prescribed by the Legislature.

5 ARTICLE XXV

6 Section 3. The Department of Public Welfare shall be under the control of a
7 commission to be known as the Oklahoma Public Welfare Commission, composed of nine
8 members appointed by the Governor and selected on the basis of recognized interest in
9 and knowledge of the problems of public welfare. Each member of the Commission shall
10 be at least thirty years of age, shall be a citizen of the United States, and shall have been
11 a qualified elector of Oklahoma at least five years next preceding his or her appointment.
12 Members of the Commission or any person employed by and working under direction of
13 said Commission may be of either sex. Immediately upon the taking effect of this Article,
14 the Governor shall appoint the members of said Commission for terms of office as follows:
15 One member for a term of one year, one member for a term of two years, one member for
16 a term of three years, one member for a term of four years, one member for a term of five
17 years, one member for a term of six years, one member for a term of seven years, one
18 member for a term of eight years and one member for a term of nine years. Except as
19 above designated, the term of office of the members of said Commission shall be nine
20 years or until their successors are appointed and qualified. Members of the Commission
21 shall be subject to the provisions of Section 14.1 of Article VI of this Constitution. The
22 Governor shall designate one member of the Commission as chairman. Members of the

1 Commission shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be allowed
2 necessary traveling and other expenses actually incurred while in the performance of
3 their official duties. The Governor shall have the power to fill vacancies on the
4 Commission for the remainder of the unexpired term.

5 ~~No member of said Commission shall be subject to removal by the Governor, but~~
6 ~~any such~~ Any member of the Commission shall be removable ~~only in the manner and for~~
7 ~~the causes now provided in Article 2, Chapter 20, Oklahoma Statutes 1931~~ cause, as
8 provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment. The venue of
9 actions for removal shall be in Oklahoma County.

10 ARTICLE XXVI

11 Section 1. There is hereby created a Department of Wildlife Conservation of the
12 State of Oklahoma and an Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission. The
13 Department of Wildlife Conservation shall be governed by the Wildlife Conservation
14 Director, hereinafter created, under such rules, regulations and policies as may be
15 prescribed from time to time by the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission. Such
16 rules and regulations and amendments thereof shall be filed and recorded in the office of
17 the Secretary of State, and shall become effective on the tenth (10th) day following such
18 filing.

19 Said Commission shall be composed of eight (8) members to be appointed by the
20 Governor by and with the consent of the Senate and shall be removable ~~only~~ for cause, as
21 provided by law for the removal of officers not subject to impeachment; one (1) member
22 from each of eight (8) districts as the same are presently defined by Title 29 O.S. 1951,

UNDERLINED language denotes Amendments to present Statutes.
BOLD FACE CAPITALIZED language denotes Committee Amendments.
~~Strike thru~~ language denotes deletion from present Statutes.

1 Section 104. The term of office of each such member shall be eight (8) years, except that
2 the first appointed members shall hold office for terms as follows: the member appointed
3 from the first district shall hold office until July 1st following his appointment, and the
4 members appointed from the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth
5 districts shall hold office until July 1st of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh
6 and eighth succeeding calendar years, respectively. Members of the Commission shall be
7 subject to the provisions of Section 14.1 of Article VI of this Constitution. In the event
8 the Governor fails to fill a vacancy within thirty (30) days following such vacancy, the
9 remaining members of the Commission may appoint a qualified person to fill such
10 vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term.

11 The members of the Commission shall receive no salary or other compensation for
12 their services, other than per diem and expenses as may be authorized by the
13 Legislature.

14 Each member of the Commission shall take the oaths required of other State
15 officers, and each shall execute a good and sufficient corporate surety bond in the sum of
16 Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) payable to the State of Oklahoma, and conditioned
17 upon the faithful performance of duty, and the premium thereon shall be payable by the
18 State.

19 ARTICLE XXVIII

20 Section 1. There is hereby created the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement
21 Commission. The purpose of the Commission shall be to enforce the alcoholic beverage

1 laws of the State, and the Commission shall have such power and authority to enforce
2 such laws, rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Legislature.

3 The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, to be appointed by the
4 Governor with the advice and consent of the State Senate. Five (5) of the members shall
5 be at-large members representing the lay citizenry. The remaining two (2) members
6 shall be persons with law enforcement experience in the State. Any time there is a
7 vacancy on the Commission the Governor shall appoint a replacement, with the advice
8 and consent of the State Senate, within ninety (90) days. Members of the Commission
9 shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years. The Commission shall appoint a Director,
10 whose duties shall be defined by the Legislature. No more than four (4) members of the
11 Commission shall be appointed from the same political party. No more than two (2)
12 members of the Commission shall be appointed from the same federal congressional
13 district.

14 No member of the Commission shall hold any license authorized by this Article, or
15 have any interest in any capacity, in the manufacture, sale, distribution or
16 transportation of alcoholic beverages. The members of the Commission shall be
17 removable from office for cause as other officers not subject to impeachment. Members of
18 the Commission shall be subject to the provisions of Section 14.1 of Article VI of this
19 Constitution.

20 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional amendments as set
21 forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in the following form:

22 BALLOT TITLE

1 Legislative Referendum No. ____ State Question No. ____

2 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

3 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It creates Section 14.1 of Article
4 6. This measure allows the Governor to replace certain persons who are appointed
5 by the Governor. The Governor can replace up to forty percent of these
6 appointments. The appointments can be made to any agency, board, or commission
7 under the Executive Branch. The Governor must make the appointments within
8 the first twelve months in office. The measure also amends other sections of the
9 Constitution to comply with the new section.

10 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

11 FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

12 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

13 SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, immediately after
14 the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and file one copy thereof, including the
15 Ballot Title set forth in SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with
16 the Attorney General.

17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 03-04-08 - DO PASS, As
18 Amended and Coauthored.