

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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ENGROSSED
Senate Bill No. 1399

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 1399 - By: SWEEDEN of the Senate and JOYNER of the House.

An Act relating to counties and county officers; amending 19 O.S. 2001, Section 1500, which relates to county purchasing agent; changing place of training for county purchasing agents; and providing effective date.

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

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2001, Section 1500, is amended to read
2 as follows:
3 Section 1500. A. The county clerk of each county or an employee of that office so
4 designated by the county clerk shall be the county purchasing agent. Provided, in
5 counties having a county budget board created pursuant to ~~Sections 1402 et seq. of Title~~
6 ~~19 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ the County Budget Act, ~~said~~ the board may, upon an
7 affirmative vote of a majority of all the board members then in office, appoint a county
8 purchasing agent. In the event the board does not appoint a county purchasing agent,
9 the county clerk or an employee of that office so designated by the county clerk shall be
10 the county purchasing agent. The county purchasing agent shall be under the general
11 supervision and direction of the appointing authority.

1 B. All persons serving as county purchasing agents on July 1, 1989, shall attend
2 training seminars sponsored by the ~~Oklahoma State University Center for Local~~
3 ~~Government Technology~~ Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service prior to July 1, 1990.
4 The training seminars will cover the terminology, concepts, customs and practices of the
5 sellers of supplies, materials and equipment commonly purchased for the county. All
6 county purchasing agents appointed after July 1, 1989, shall attend the training
7 seminars within one (1) year of their appointment.

8 C. The county purchasing agent shall be authorized necessary assistants to carry
9 out the duties and responsibilities provided by law and as may be delegated by the
10 appointing authority. Provided, the employment of such assistants shall be upon the
11 approval of the appointing authority. The salary of the county purchasing agent and
12 assistants shall be fixed by the appointing authority. Provided, if the county clerk is the
13 county purchasing agent, the salary of the county clerk shall remain as provided by law.

14 D. The county purchasing agent shall, at the expense of the county, be authorized
15 adequate office space, furnishings, equipment and supplies to carry out the duties and
16 responsibilities of the county purchasing agent as provided by law and as may be
17 delegated by the appointing authority. Provided, the acquisition of such furnishings,
18 equipment and supplies shall be upon the approval of the appointing authority, and the
19 acquisition of office space shall be upon the approval of the board of county
20 commissioners.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND
2 TRANSPORTATION, dated 04-02-08 - DO PASS.