

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 HOUSE BILL 2957

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to parole; amending 57 O.S. 2001,
8 Section 332.16, which relates to time limitations for
9 acting on paroles; deeming parole recommendation
10 granted if action not taken within certain time
11 period; providing an exception; requiring review and
12 recommendation for certain crimes; and providing an
13 effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2001, Section 332.16, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 332.16 A. No recommendation to the Governor for parole
18 shall remain under consideration and in the possession of that
19 office for a time longer than thirty (30) days. Except as provided
20 for in subsection B of this section, if upon expiration of the
21 thirty-day time period, no action is taken by the Governor to grant
22 or deny parole, the recommendation for parole shall be deemed
23 granted.
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1 B. The Governor shall be required to review each parole
2 recommendation and shall grant or deny parole for persons convicted
3 of the following crimes:

4 1. Murder in the first degree as provided in Section 701.7 of
5 Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

6 2. Rape in the first degree as provided in Section 1111 of
7 Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

8 3. Aggravated drug trafficking as provided in Section 2-415 of
9 Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

10 C. When the Pardon and Parole Board makes a recommendation for
11 a compassionate parole pursuant to subsection B of Section 332.18 of
12 this title, the Board shall forward all relevant documentation to
13 the Governor within four (4) days of the parole review of the
14 inmate. Upon receipt, the Governor shall have four (4) days to
15 grant or deny the compassionate parole.

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

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