

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 51st Legislature (2007)

3 HOUSE

4 RESOLUTION 1030

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution calling for the State Auditor and
9 Inspectors to temporarily relinquish duties of
10 office; and directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, the State Auditor and Inspectors Office is the guardian
13 of the public trust by auditing governmental activities to ensure
14 the peoples' business is conducted in an effective, efficient and
15 legal manner; and

16 WHEREAS, by virtue of his authority as State Auditor and
17 Inspector, Jeff McMahan is responsible for regulating the abstract
18 industry in Oklahoma; and

19 WHEREAS, as an elected official, the State Auditor and Inspector
20 must always refrain from activity that would create an appearance of
21 impropriety; and

22 WHEREAS, there are presently companies and company principals
23 regulated by the State Auditor and Inspector who are under
24 investigation by a federal grand jury in Muskogee, Oklahoma; and

1 WHEREAS, Jeff McMahan is frequently mentioned as a principal
2 party in this investigation by virtue of the substantial campaign
3 contributions and paid trips provided to him by key figures targeted
4 in the grand jury investigation; and

5 WHEREAS, McMahan has issued statements through a spokesperson
6 concerning his relationship with a key figure in the investigation
7 that later turned out to be false; and

8 WHEREAS, McMahan's involvement tarnishes his credibility and
9 that of his office, and further jeopardizes public trust in state
10 government.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT Jeff McMahan be asked to temporarily relinquish his duties
14 as State Auditor and Inspector to an impartial party appointed by
15 the Governor, until such time that the grand jury has concluded its
16 deliberations, and any involvement and/or participation on the part
17 of the State Auditor in this matter has been clarified; and

18 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to both the
19 offices of the Governor and the State Auditor and Inspector.

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