

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1626

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to roads, bridges and ferries;
8 amending 69 O.S. 2001, Section 303, which relates to
9 the State Transportation Commission; updating
10 statutory language; and declaring an emergency.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2001, Section 303, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 303. ~~(a)~~ A. The State Transportation Commission shall
15 constitute an advisory, administrative, and policy making board with
16 which the Director of the Department of Transportation shall from
17 time to time consult regarding the administration of the affairs of
18 the Department of Transportation. The Commission may require from
19 the Director complete reports and information relative to the
20 ~~affairs~~ administration of the Department at such time and in such
21 manner as the Commission may deem advisable.

22 ~~(b)~~ B. In addition to its other powers and duties, as herein
23 defined, the Commission shall have the following specific powers and
24 duties:

1 ~~(1)~~ 1. To organize itself by the election of a chairman,
2 vice-chairman and secretary, who shall perform the duties required
3 of them by the rules ~~and regulations~~ of the Commission, but shall
4 receive no extra compensation therefor;

5 ~~(2)~~ 2. To elect a ~~State Highway~~ Director of the Department of
6 Transportation and fix his or her salary within the limits ~~of this~~
7 ~~Code~~ authorized by law, who shall serve ~~during~~ at the pleasure of
8 the Commission, expressed by a majority vote of the ~~entire~~
9 Commission;

10 ~~(3)~~ 3. To prescribe rules, ~~regulations~~, and policies for the
11 transaction of its business, and for the letting of all contracts
12 and purchases;

13 ~~(4)~~ 4. To prescribe the manner of cooperation between county
14 and municipal officials with the Commission;

15 ~~(5)~~ 5. Except as otherwise provided herein, to let or supervise
16 the letting of all contracts for construction or improvements of
17 state highways, or any contract for road or bridge construction or
18 improvement where the work is being done in whole or in part with
19 state or federal monies; and

20 ~~(6)~~ 6. To authorize all expenditures prior to the incurring
21 ~~therefore~~ thereof, except as otherwise provided ~~in this Code~~ by law.

22 ~~(e)~~ C. Each Commissioner shall aid in the promotion of highway
23 construction, improvements, and maintenance throughout the entire
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1 state, and shall not act as the special representative of the
2 particular district in which ~~he~~ such commissioner resides.

3 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
4 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
5 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
6 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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