

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1722

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending
8 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-315, which relates to birth
9 records; making language gender-neutral; and
10 providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-315, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1-315. ~~(a)~~ A. Any citizen of the United States who has
15 resided in this state for not less than ten (10) years, the last
16 three (3) of which must have been continuous within this state and
17 the last one (1) of which must have been continuous within the
18 county of ~~his~~ the person's application, the birth of whom has not
19 been recorded by the State Commissioner of Health, or ~~his~~ the
20 Commissioner's predecessor, may petition the district court of the
21 county in which ~~he~~ the applicant resides or was born for an order
22 establishing a public record of the time and place of ~~his~~ the
23 applicant's birth and ~~his~~ parentage. ~~He~~ The applicant may have the
24 record of such information entered in the following manner: Such

1 applicant may appear before a judge of the district court in the
2 county of which ~~he~~ the applicant is a resident and file ~~his~~ a
3 verified petition in writing, which petition shall state the time
4 and place of ~~his~~ the applicant's birth and ~~his~~ parentage and such
5 other facts as ~~he~~ the applicant deems pertinent; the petition shall
6 be filed in the office of the court clerk and given a number in the
7 probate files thereof; thereupon the applicant shall produce all the
8 evidence ~~he~~ the applicant has in ~~his~~ the applicant's possession,
9 which may consist of personal testimony, affidavits or records, and
10 shall include a statement from the State Commissioner of Health, or
11 similar official in the state of applicant's birth, to the effect
12 that a birth certificate is not recorded in ~~his~~ such official's
13 office; and if the judge of the district court shall be satisfied
14 with the proof offered, ~~he~~ the judge shall make and enter an order
15 establishing the time and place of birth, the age and the parentage
16 of the applicant, which order shall be final and conclusive of all
17 the facts therein adjudged.

18 ~~(b)~~ B. A certified copy of the order shall be filed in the
19 office of the State Commissioner of Health, and a certified copy
20 thereof shall be issued by the Commissioner in the same manner as
21 certificates of birth.

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

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