

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 684

By: Ballenger of the Senate
and
Joyner of the House

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7 An Act relating to counties and county officers;
8 amending 19 O.S. 2001, Section 866.22, which relates
9 to the county board of adjustment; making language
gender neutral; modifying quorum requirements; and
providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2001, Section 866.22, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 866.22 The board of county commissioners of any such
15 county shall appoint a county board of adjustment composed of five
16 (5) members, residents of such county, two (2) of whom shall reside
17 outside the corporate limits of the municipality, for a term of
18 three (3) years, except that when the first appointment is made
19 hereunder, the term of office of two (2) of said members shall be
20 one (1) year, the term of two (2) of said members shall be two (2)
21 years, and the term of office of one (1) of said members shall be
22 three (3) years. A member of such county board of adjustment, once
23 qualified, can thereafter be removed during his or her term of
24 office only for cause and after a hearing held before the board of

1 county commissioners. In the event of the death, resignation or
2 removal of any such member before the expiration of his or her term,
3 a successor shall be appointed by the board of county commissioners
4 to serve his or her unexpired term. All members of the county board
5 of adjustment shall serve as such without compensation.

6 The county board of adjustment shall elect its own ~~chairman~~
7 chair and shall adopt rules or procedures consistent with the
8 provisions of ~~this act~~ Section 866.1 et seq. of this title. The
9 ~~chairman~~ chair, or, in his or her absence, the acting ~~chairman~~
10 chair, may administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses.
11 ~~Four (4)~~ Three (3) members of the county board of adjustment, with
12 both the city and the county being represented, shall constitute a
13 quorum. All meetings of the county board of adjustment shall be
14 open to the public and a public record shall be kept of all
15 proceedings.

16 The county board of adjustment may, with the approval of the
17 board of county commissioners, appoint such employees as may be
18 necessary and may incur necessary expenses, within the limits of the
19 appropriations authorized by the board of county commissioners.

20 For each petition and for each request for a public hearing, the
21 county board of adjustment shall collect a fee the amount thereof to
22 be fixed by the respective boards of county commissioners which such
23 fees shall be deposited with the county treasurer as required by
24 law, and credited to the general fund of the county, and report

