

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1650

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to holidays; amending 25 O.S. 2001,  
8 Section 82.1, which relates to holidays in Oklahoma;  
9 providing for Veterans' Day as a mandatory holiday  
for all veterans; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. 2001, Section 82.1, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 82.1 A. The designation and dates of holidays in  
16 Oklahoma shall be as follows: Each Saturday, Sunday, New Year's Day  
17 on the 1st day of January, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday on the  
18 third Monday in January, Presidents' Day on the third Monday in  
19 February, Memorial Day on the last Monday in May, Independence Day  
20 on the 4th day of July, Labor Day on the first Monday in September,  
21 Veterans' Day on the 11th day of November, Thanksgiving Day on the  
22 fourth Thursday in November, the day after Thanksgiving Day,  
23 Christmas on the 25th day of December, the Monday before Christmas  
24 if Christmas is on a Tuesday, the Friday after Christmas if

1 Christmas is on a Thursday; and if any of such holidays other than  
2 Saturday at any time fall on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be  
3 a holiday in that year and if any of such holidays other than Sunday  
4 at any time fall on Sunday, the succeeding Monday shall be a holiday  
5 in that year.

6 B. The Governor shall issue an Executive Order each year  
7 specifying the dates on which the holidays other than Saturdays and  
8 Sundays designated in subsection A of this section occur. If the  
9 President of the United States declares any day other than those  
10 listed in subsection A of this section as a national holiday, the  
11 Governor may issue an Executive Order declaring such day a state  
12 holiday.

13 C. Any act authorized, required, or permitted to be performed  
14 on a holiday as designated in subsection A of this section may be  
15 performed on the next succeeding business day, and no liability or  
16 loss of rights of any kind shall result from such delay.

17 D. State employees, except for temporary and other limited term  
18 employees, shall be entitled to a day off work without loss of pay  
19 on those holidays specified in an Executive Order issued by the  
20 Governor pursuant to subsection B of this section. Those state  
21 employees, except for temporary and other limited term employees,  
22 who are required to work on a holiday specified in subsection B of  
23 this section shall be entitled to a day off work, without loss of  
24 pay, on an alternative date or payment in lieu thereof at the

1 discretion of the appointing authority and in accordance with rules  
2 of the Administrator of the Office of Personnel Management.

3 E. All employed veterans, including temporary and other  
4 limited-term employees, shall be entitled to a day off work on  
5 Veterans' Day without loss of pay, and regardless of place of  
6 employment.

7 F. For the purposes of this section, "holiday" means that  
8 agencies whose mission does not require them to be open for business  
9 every day of the year shall be closed for official business.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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