

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR ENGROSSED

5 SENATE BILL NO. 772

By: Jolley of the Senate

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10 An Act relating to public finance; establishing the
11 Oklahoma State Government Business Licensing One-Stop
12 Program; imposing duties on the Chief Information
13 Officer; requiring certain savings; requiring
14 reduction of certain fees; providing for real-time
15 licensing; making transfer from the Oklahoma
16 Department of Commerce to the Office of State
17 Finance; authorizing certain exemptions; requiring
18 agency compliance; amending Section 2, Chapter 245,
19 O.S.L. 2007 (74 O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 5003.15),
20 which relates to the 2nd Century Entrepreneurship
21 Center; modifying references; providing for
22 codification; providing an effective date; and
23 declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34.11.9 of Title 62, unless
there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. There is hereby established the Oklahoma State Government
2 Business Licensing One-Stop Program.

3 B. The Chief Information Officer shall promulgate procedures by
4 which state agencies shall enter into a shared services arrangement
5 with the Office of State Finance for the provision of real-time,
6 online, web-based licensing and permitting services.

7 C. The Chief Information Officer shall demonstrate a cost
8 savings of at least fifteen percent (15%) to state agencies from the
9 implementation of this section.

10 D. State agencies shall lower fees to license recipients to
11 reflect the savings mandated by the section.

12 E. Real-time licensing and permitting services shall be made
13 available to the public through the website "Business.ok.gov" and
14 shall be offered through the 2nd Century Entrepreneurship Center
15 business licensing framework.

16 F. The 2nd Century Entrepreneurship Center and all
17 corresponding assets and personnel are hereby transferred from the
18 Oklahoma Department of Commerce to the Information Services Division
19 of the Office of State Finance.

20 G. The Chief Information Officer may grant an exemption from
21 the requirements of this section to state agencies which offer
22 licensing and permitting procedures requiring documentation that
23 cannot be provided through a web-based portal.

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1 H. State agencies shall comply with procedures promulgated
2 pursuant to the terms of this section.

3 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 245, O.S.L.
4 2007 (74 O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 5003.15), is amended to read as
5 follows:

6 Section 5003.15 A. The ~~Oklahoma Department of Commerce~~ Office
7 of State Finance shall establish within the agency a central point
8 of access and information for persons or business entities in order
9 to facilitate the creation of new business enterprises within the
10 state. The central point of access and the related programs shall
11 be designated the "2nd Century Entrepreneurship Center".

12 B. The ~~Department~~ Office of State Finance shall utilize the
13 existing Master Business Licensing System and incorporate the
14 systems and informational resources currently in use to establish
15 the 2nd Century Entrepreneurship Center.

16 C. The ~~Department of Commerce~~ Office of State Finance shall
17 develop a centralized method by which an emerging or expanding
18 Oklahoma business enterprise may have access to all state and local
19 permit information, license information, applicable state or local
20 codes, and other information and resources necessary for the
21 successful organization of a new business enterprise or for the
22 expansion of an existing business enterprise.

23 D. To the extent possible, the 2nd Century Entrepreneurship
24 Center shall allow an emerging or expanding business enterprise to

1 complete all steps necessary for the formation and organization of
2 the business entity, including the formal organization of the
3 business entity, the acquisition of a federal employer tax
4 identification number, if required, the acquisition of any needed
5 licenses or permits from the Secretary of State, the Oklahoma Tax
6 Commission, or the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission.

7 E. The ~~Department of Commerce~~ Office of State Finance may work
8 in collaboration with other statewide partners also involved in the
9 offering of entrepreneurship-based programs.

10 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2011.

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

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