

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 1541

By: Murphey and Cockroft of the  
House

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4 Sykes of the Senate  
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8 An Act relating to executive entity consolidations;  
9 enacting the Government Reduction Act of 2011;  
10 placing the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of  
11 Science and Technology under the authority of the  
12 Department of Commerce; providing for transfer of  
13 property and other items; providing for transfer of  
14 personnel and related benefits; providing for  
15 transfer of monies; providing for contractual rights  
16 and responsibilities; providing for rules; requiring  
17 budgetary savings; placing the Oklahoma Industrial  
18 Finance Authority under the authority of the  
19 Department of Commerce; providing for transfer of  
20 property and other items; providing for transfer of  
21 personnel and related benefits; providing for  
22 transfer of monies; providing for contractual rights  
23 and responsibilities; providing for rules; requiring  
24 budgetary savings; providing for codification; and  
providing for noncodification.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Government  
Reduction Act of 2011".

1           SECTION 2.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5060.44 of Title 74, unless  
3 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4           A. On the effective date of this act, the Oklahoma Center for  
5 the Advancement of Science and Technology shall be placed under the  
6 authority of the Department of Commerce. Except as otherwise  
7 provided for in this section, the transfer shall include all real  
8 property, buildings, furniture, equipment, supplies, records,  
9 personnel, assets, current and future liabilities, fund balances,  
10 encumbrances, obligations, and indebtedness associated with the  
11 Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology.

12           B. All employees of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of  
13 Science and Technology on the effective date of this act, including  
14 related liabilities for sick leave, annual leave, holidays,  
15 unemployment benefits, and workers' compensation benefits accruing  
16 prior to the effective date of this act, to such personnel shall be  
17 transferred to the Department of Commerce as of the effective date  
18 of this act. It is the intent of the Legislature that, to the  
19 extent possible, the Department of Commerce ensure that the  
20 employees retain pay and benefits, as much as possible, including  
21 longevity, dependent insurance benefits, seniority, rights, and  
22 other privileges or benefits.

23           C. Appropriate conveyances and other documents shall be  
24 executed by January 1, 2012, to effectuate the transfer of property

1 owned by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and  
2 Technology to the Department of Commerce.

3 D. Any monies donated or accruing to or in the name of the  
4 Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology after  
5 the effective date of this act, shall be transferred to the  
6 Department of Commerce. Any other monies from appropriations, fees,  
7 licenses, fines, penalties, or other similar types of monies that  
8 accrue in any funds or accounts after the effective date of this  
9 act, in the name of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of  
10 Science and Technology or maintained for the benefit of the Oklahoma  
11 Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology are transferred  
12 to the Department of Commerce.

13 E. The Department of Commerce shall succeed to any contractual  
14 rights and responsibilities incurred by the Oklahoma Center for the  
15 Advancement of Science and Technology.

16 F. The rules of the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of  
17 Science and Technology that are in effect on the effective date of  
18 this act, shall be enforceable by the Department of Commerce until  
19 the Department establishes rules.

20 G. Each entity the functions and duties of which are  
21 transferred pursuant to the provisions of this section shall take  
22 such actions as are required to achieve a budgetary savings for the  
23 fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, as a result of the efficiencies  
24 resulting from such transfers and for each fiscal year thereafter.

1           SECTION 3.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 879 of Title 74, unless there is  
3 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4           A. On the effective date of this act, the Oklahoma Industrial  
5 Finance Authority shall be placed under the authority of the  
6 Department of Commerce. Except as otherwise provided for in this  
7 section, the transfer shall include all real property, buildings,  
8 furniture, equipment, supplies, records, personnel, assets, current  
9 and future liabilities, fund balances, encumbrances, obligations,  
10 and indebtedness associated with the Oklahoma Industrial Finance  
11 Authority.

12           B. All employees of the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority  
13 on the effective date of this act, including related liabilities for  
14 sick leave, annual leave, holidays, unemployment benefits, and  
15 workers' compensation benefits accruing prior to the effective date  
16 of this act, to such personnel shall be transferred to the  
17 Department of Commerce as of the effective date of this act. It is  
18 the intent of the Legislature that, to the extent possible, the  
19 Department of Commerce ensure that the employees retain pay and  
20 benefits, as much as possible, including longevity, dependent  
21 insurance benefits, seniority, rights, and other privileges or  
22 benefits.

23           C. Appropriate conveyances and other documents shall be  
24 executed by January 1, 2012, to effectuate the transfer of property

1 owned by the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority to the Department  
2 of Commerce.

3 D. Any monies donated or accruing to or in the name of the  
4 Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority after the effective date of  
5 this act, shall be transferred to the Department of Commerce. Any  
6 other monies from appropriations, fees, licenses, fines, penalties,  
7 or other similar types of monies that accrue in any funds or  
8 accounts after the effective date of this act, in the name of the  
9 Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority or maintained for the benefit  
10 of the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority are transferred to the  
11 Department of Commerce.

12 E. The Department of Commerce shall succeed to any contractual  
13 rights and responsibilities incurred by the Oklahoma Industrial  
14 Finance Authority.

15 F. The rules of the Oklahoma Industrial Finance Authority that  
16 are in effect on the effective date of this act, shall be  
17 enforceable by the Department of Commerce until the Department  
18 establishes rules.

19 G. Each entity the functions and duties of which are  
20 transferred pursuant to the provisions of this section shall take  
21 such actions as are required to achieve a budgetary savings for the  
22 fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, as a result of the efficiencies  
23 resulting from such transfers and for each fiscal year thereafter.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of March, 2011.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House of  
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6 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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