

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2156

By: Murphey

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9                   An Act relating to statutes and reports; amending 75  
10 O.S. 2001, Section 12a, which relates to legislative  
11 bills and resolutions; providing for electronic  
12 enrollment of bills and resolutions; providing for  
13 electronic transmittal of bills and resolutions and  
14 amendments thereto between the two houses of the  
15 Legislature; authorizing electronic transmittal of  
16 bills and resolutions to the Office of the Governor  
17 and the Office of the Secretary of State; authorizing  
18 electronic signatures; requiring certain safeguard;  
19 requiring agreement of transmitting and receiving  
20 parties; making certain persons guardians of  
21 electronic signatures; and declaring an emergency.

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

23                   SECTION 1.           AMENDATORY           75 O.S. 2001, Section 12a, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

25                   Section 12a. A. Bills and resolutions referred to in Section  
26 35, Article V of the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, after  
27 their passage but before they are signed by the presiding officer of

1 each house of the Legislature as provided in said section, shall be  
2 correctly enrolled either in permanent ink on appropriate paper or  
3 in an electronic form pursuant to rules adopted by each house.  
4 Bills and resolutions originating in one house of the Legislature  
5 which, after being duly passed and engrossed thereby, are ~~sent~~  
6 transmitted to the other house and thereafter returned without  
7 amendment to the house in which same originated, shall, when  
8 referred for enrollment, be ~~sent~~ transmitted to the Office of  
9 Engrossing and Enrolling thereof, which office may cause each and  
10 every such engrossed bill or resolution, without retyping, to be  
11 reported properly enrolled for fourth reading and final signature by  
12 attaching or jacketing in the forefront thereof a proper jurat for  
13 certification by the presiding officer as to the previous passage of  
14 said bill or resolution. After said bills and resolutions have been  
15 duly signed by the presiding officer of each house of the  
16 Legislature, and after same have been either affirmatively or  
17 negatively approved by the Governor or passed over his objections,  
18 as provided in Section 11, Article VI of the Constitution of the  
19 State of Oklahoma, they shall be filed in the office of the  
20 Secretary of State where they shall be permanently preserved.

21 B. For purposes of this section and subject to the provisions  
22 of subsection C of this section, bills and resolutions and  
23 amendments thereto may be transmitted between the two houses of the

1 Legislature electronically. Enrolled bills and resolutions may be  
2 transmitted electronically to the Office of the Governor. Bills and  
3 resolutions that are filed in the Office of the Secretary of State  
4 may be transmitted electronically. If a bill or resolution is  
5 transmitted electronically, the signature of the presiding officer  
6 may be an electronic signature.

7 C. Electronic transmittal of bills and resolutions shall be  
8 allowed if safeguards established by the Clerk of the House and the  
9 Secretary of the Senate are in place to protect against unauthorized  
10 users. Transmission between the respective houses shall require a  
11 written agreement signed by the Speaker of the House of  
12 Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.  
13 Transmission from either house of the Legislature to the Office of  
14 the Governor shall require a written agreement signed by the  
15 Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the  
16 President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Transmission from either house  
17 of the Legislature to the Office of the Secretary of State shall  
18 require a written agreement signed by the Secretary of State, the  
19 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro  
20 Tempore of the Senate. The Clerk of the House of Representatives  
21 and the Secretary of the Senate shall be the guardians of electronic  
22 signatures for their respective houses of the Legislature and shall

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1 be authorized to make determinations as to validity and authenticity  
2 of electronic signatures.

3 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
4 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
5 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
6 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT MODERNIZATION, dated  
9 03-03-2011 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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