

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature (2012)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 3137

By: Steele, Rousselot, Nelson
and Ownbey of the House

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11 An Act relating to poor persons; amending 56 O.S.
12 2011, Section 162, which relates to the powers and
13 duties of the Commission for Human Services; updating
14 statutory references; specifying Commission shall be
subject to modification by Legislature; and providing
an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. 2011, Section 162, is
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 162. The Commission for Human Services, subject to the
21 approval of the Legislature, shall have the power and it shall be
22 its duty to:

1 ~~(a)~~ 1. Select a Director of ~~Public Welfare~~ Human Services who
2 shall not be a member of the Commission and who shall serve as
3 executive and administrative officer of the Department. The
4 Director shall be appointed wholly on the basis of ability, training
5 and experience qualifying ~~him or her~~ the Director for ~~public welfare~~
6 human services administration. The Director shall serve at the
7 pleasure of the Commission. The salary of the Director shall be
8 fixed by the Commission;

9 ~~(b)~~ 2. Formulate the policies and adopt rules ~~and regulations~~
10 for the effective administration of the duties of the Department;

11 ~~(c)~~ 3. Require and set the amount of the bond for employees
12 within its discretion;

13 ~~(d)~~

14 ~~(e)~~ 4. Cooperate with the ~~Federal Social Security Board,~~
15 ~~created under Title 7 of the Social Security Act, enacted by the~~
16 ~~Seventy-Fourth Congress and approved August 14, 1935~~ federal
17 Department of Health and Human Services, or other ~~like~~ agency
18 created by Congress, in any reasonable manner as may be necessary to
19 qualify for federal aid to states in providing assistance to needy
20 persons in conformity with the provisions of ~~this act~~ this title,
21 including the making of ~~such~~ reports in ~~such~~ the form and containing
22 ~~such~~ information as the United States Social Security ~~Board~~
23 Administration or other similar federal agency may from time to time

1 require, and comply with such provisions as the Social Security
2 ~~Board~~ Administration, or other similar federal agency may find
3 necessary to insure the correctness and verification of ~~such~~
4 reports; ~~and~~

5 ~~(f)~~ 5. Publish an annual report, not later than four (4) months
6 after the close of each fiscal year, showing for such year the total
7 amount paid to needy persons in this state under the provisions of
8 this act, and the total number of such needy persons given
9 assistance, classified by age, sex, race, residence of persons
10 assisted, and such other particulars as may be deemed advisable.
11 Such report shall be presented to the Governor; and

12 ~~(g)~~ 6. Present to the Federal Social Security ~~Board~~
13 Administration a new or modified plan for old-age assistance, aid to
14 dependent children and aid to needy blind.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective if an amendment to
16 the Oklahoma Constitution granting the Legislature authority to
17 oversee the Commission is approved.

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19 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, dated 02/28/2012 -
20 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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