

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1864

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public finance; enacting the
8 Oklahoma Zero-Based Budget Act of 2011; imposing
9 requirements with respect to presentation of requests
10 for appropriations; requiring zero-based budget
11 presentations; prescribing procedures; providing for
12 implementation by certain governmental entities;
13 providing for codification; providing an effective
14 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 46.101 of Title 62, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Zero-
20 Based Budget Act of 2011".

21 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 46.102 of Title 62, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

24 A. Each agency, board, commission, department, including the
legislative and judicial departments, or other entity of the
executive branch of state government shall be required to present to

1 the Appropriations and Budget Committee of the Oklahoma House of
2 Representatives and to the Appropriations Committee of the State
3 Senate a zero-based budget prior to the beginning of each fiscal
4 year.

5 B. As used in this act, "zero-based budget" means that in order
6 for an agency, board, commission, department or other entity of the
7 executive branch of state government to obtain an appropriation for
8 each fiscal year, it shall not be sufficient for the entity to make
9 a request for an appropriation equal to the prior year appropriation
10 amount adjusted for inflation. The entity shall be required to
11 provide adequate justification for each and every amount requested
12 at a level of detail adequate for the relevant appropriations
13 committee or subcommittee of the Legislature to evaluate the real
14 cost of providing the governmental services for which the entity is
15 responsible.

16 C. In order to provide guidance to the Appropriations and
17 Budget Committee of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the
18 Appropriations Committee of the State Senate, together with the
19 relevant subcommittees of such Committees, the entity requesting
20 appropriations shall be prepared to present:

- 21 1. The mission of the agency as identified in relevant sources
22 of law;
- 23 2. The mission of each agency program or function in clear and
24 understandable terms to persons of ordinary understanding;

1 3. Descriptions of activities that support the successful
2 operation of each program or function;

3 4. A history of each program or function that may include at
4 the direction of the relevant committee or subcommittee:

- 5 a. legal history of the program,
- 6 b. programmatic history,
- 7 c. funding history,
- 8 d. full-time-equivalent employee history, and
- 9 e. narrative description of programs;

10 5. Job descriptions for each full-time-equivalent employee
11 assigned to each program;

12 6. An identification of all performance measures collected for
13 each program;

14 7. Detailed information regarding funding for each program,
15 including funding sources and the expenditures for each program;

16 8. Information regarding federal funding, including grants and
17 contracts;

18 9. Information regarding the prospective performance of each
19 program; and

20 10. Information regarding the extent to which programs within
21 the agency overlap or the extent to which the programs overlap with
22 the programs of another governmental entity.

23 D. The Appropriations and Budget Committee of the Oklahoma
24 House of Representatives and the Appropriations Committee of the

1 State Senate shall each be authorized to meet during the interim
2 beginning September 1 each year a sufficient number of times in
3 order to analyze the information presented by each entity making a
4 presentation as required by this section.

5 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 46.103 of Title 62, unless there
7 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8 For the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2011, July 1, 2012, July
9 1, 2013, and July 1, 2014, one-quarter (1/4) of the agencies,
10 boards, commissions and departments of state government to be
11 selected by the mutual agreement of the chairpersons of the
12 Appropriations and Budget Committee of the Oklahoma House of
13 Representatives and the Appropriations Committee of the State
14 Senate, shall be required to submit the information required by
15 Section 2 of this act.

16 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2011.

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

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