

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2376

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
8 amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 332.18, which relates
9 to medical paroles for inmates; clarifying
10 eligibility requirements for medical parole reviews;
11 and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 332.18, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 332.18 A. The Director of the Department of
17 Corrections shall have the authority to request the Executive
18 Director of the Pardon and Parole Board to place an inmate on the
19 Pardon and Parole Board docket for a medical reason, out of the
20 normal processing procedures. Documentation of the medical
21 condition of such inmate shall be certified by the medical director
22 of the Department of Corrections. The Pardon and Parole Board shall
23 have the authority to bring any such inmate before the Board at any
24 time, except as otherwise provided in subsection B of this section.

1 B. When a request is made for a medical parole review of an
2 inmate who is dying or is near death as certified by the medical
3 director of the Department of Corrections or whose medical condition
4 has rendered the inmate no longer a threat to public safety, the
5 Executive Director shall place such inmate on the first available
6 parole review docket for a compassionate parole consideration.
7 Inmates who meet the criteria set out in this section are not
8 subject to the two-stage hearing process in subsection C of Section
9 332.7 of this title.

10 C. The provisions of this section shall not apply to inmates
11 serving a sentence of life without possibility of parole. The
12 provisions of this section shall apply to inmates serving minimum
13 sentences pursuant to the provisions of Sections 12.1 and 13.1 of
14 Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes and whenever the Pardon and Parole
15 Board makes a determination that the medical issue of the inmate has
16 rendered the inmate no longer a threat to public safety.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

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