

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 HOUSE BILL 2195

By: Shannon, Hulbert and Newell  
of the House

6 and

7 Brecheen of the Senate  
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9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to public finance; limiting the  
11 annual debt service payments to certain percentage of  
12 general revenue; providing mechanism to override  
13 general limit of debt service payments; stipulating  
14 that certain decreases in general revenue do not  
15 constitute a violation; prohibiting issuance of  
16 additional indebtedness in certain circumstances;  
17 providing method for calculating debt service  
18 payment; exempting certain indebtedness from  
19 calculation; providing for codification; and  
20 providing an effective date.

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

22 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34.200 of Title 62, unless there  
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State of Oklahoma shall not become indebted in an amount  
that causes total annual debt service payments from the General  
Revenue Fund to exceed four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the

1 average of the general fund revenue, as certified by the State Board  
2 of Equalization in December of each calendar year, for the preceding  
3 five (5) fiscal years. The Legislature, upon an affirmative vote of  
4 two-thirds of the members of both houses, may declare an emergency  
5 and permit the total annual debt service payments of the state to  
6 exceed the amount provided in this section.

7 B. The state shall not be in violation of the provisions of  
8 this section if a decline in the average of the general fund  
9 revenue, as certified by the State Board of Equalization in December  
10 of each calendar year, for the preceding five (5) fiscal years,  
11 results in annual debt service payments exceeding the limit provided  
12 in subsection A of this section; provided that, the state shall not  
13 incur any additional debt service payments so long as the amount of  
14 debt service payments, as defined in this section, continue to  
15 exceed four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the average of the  
16 general fund revenue, as certified by the State Board of  
17 Equalization in December of each calendar year, for the preceding  
18 five (5) fiscal years.

19 C. For purposes of calculating the total amount of indebtedness  
20 as provided in subsection A of this section, annual debt service  
21 payments shall not include any indebtedness incurred through the  
22 master lease program as provided in Sections 3206.6 and 3206.6a of  
23 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, pursuant to a declaration of an  
24 emergency as provided in subsection A of this section or any general

1 obligation bonds issued pursuant to Section 39A of Article X of the  
2 Oklahoma Constitution.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.  
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