

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1231

By: Quinn, Pruett and Brown of  
the House

and

Burrage of the Senate

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11                   An Act relating to counties and county officers;  
12                   amending 19 O.S. 2011, Sections 130.7 and 131.1, as  
13                   amended by Section 2, Chapter 300, O.S.L. 2013 (19  
14                   O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 131.1), which relate to  
15                   county officers; requiring certain candidates to  
16                   complete certain training prior to election;  
17                   modifying eligibility requirements for county  
18                   offices; and providing an effective date.

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

20                   SECTION 1.           AMENDATORY           19 O.S. 2011, Section 130.7, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22                   Section 130.7 ~~Each~~ A. Except as otherwise provided by this  
23 section, each county commissioner, county clerk, county treasurer,  
24 and court clerk ~~holding office on the effective date of this act and~~  
~~those elected thereafter~~ and the deputies of such elected county  
officers shall be required to participate in the appropriate

1 training programs and educational seminars relevant to their  
2 positions and duties conducted pursuant to Sections 130.1 through  
3 130.7 of this title. In addition, county sheriffs and county  
4 assessors may attend the training programs specified in this  
5 section.

6 B. Any county commissioner, county clerk, county treasurer or  
7 court clerk, who has served less than four (4) years in that office,  
8 shall complete the training programs and educational seminars  
9 relevant to their positions and duties and receive accreditation by  
10 the Cooperative Extension Service at Oklahoma State University.

11 C. Within twelve (12) months of taking office, a newly elected  
12 county commissioner, county clerk, county treasurer or court clerk,  
13 who has served less than four (4) years in that office, shall be  
14 accredited by the Cooperative Extension Service at Oklahoma State  
15 University. Failure to complete the training and receive  
16 accreditation by the Cooperative Extension Service at Oklahoma State  
17 University within the specified period shall preclude the county  
18 officer from being eligible for reelection to any county office.

19 D. The provisions of subsections B and C of this section shall  
20 not apply to a county assessor, county sheriff or any person serving  
21 as a county officer for more than four (4) years.

22 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2011, Section 131.1, as  
23 amended by Section 2, Chapter 300, O.S.L. 2013 (19 O.S. Supp. 2013,  
24 Section 131.1), is amended to read as follows:

**UNDERLINED** language denotes Amendments to present Statutes.  
**BOLD FACE CAPITALIZED** language denotes Committee Amendments.  
**Strike thru** language denotes deletion from present Statutes.

1 Section 131.1 ~~Te~~ A. Except as provided by subsection B of this  
2 section, to file as a candidate for any county office, a person must  
3 have been a registered voter and have maintained a current principal  
4 residence within the county for the six-month period immediately  
5 preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law.  
6 Provided, to file as a candidate for the office of county  
7 commissioner, a person must have been a registered voter within the  
8 county commissioner district and have maintained a current principal  
9 residence within such district for the six-month period immediately  
10 preceding the first day of the filing period prescribed by law.  
11 Evidence of a "principal residence" may include, but not be limited  
12 to, the address listed on:

- 13 1. A federal or state tax return;
- 14 2. A driver license; or
- 15 3. An automobile registration.

16 B. In addition to the requirements of subsection A of this  
17 section, to file as a candidate for any county office, other than  
18 county assessor or county sheriff, a person shall provide proof of  
19 accreditation required by Section 130.7 of this title to the county  
20 election board.

21 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.

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23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT MODERNIZATION, dated  
24 03/03/2014 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.