

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 11, 2013

3 SENATE BILL NO. 87

By: Paddack of the Senate

4 and

5 McDaniel (Randy) of the  
6 House

7  
8 An Act relating to state government; creating the  
9 Task Force on Unnecessary Governmental Regulation;  
10 specifying duties; providing for membership,  
11 organization, vacancies and staff support; providing  
12 for travel reimbursement; requiring report; providing  
13 for noncodification; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
16 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

17 A. There is hereby created until November 30, 2014, the Task  
18 Force on Unnecessary Governmental Regulation. The task force shall  
19 have the following duties:

20 1. To examine state laws and rules promulgated by state  
21 agencies pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act and determine  
22 which such provisions adversely impact employment, economic  
23 development and business activity in this state;

24 2. To recommend repeal or modification of any laws or rules  
determined to have such an adverse impact; and

1           3. To recommend any amendments to the Administrative Procedures  
2 Act which will enable the Governor and the Legislature to better  
3 identify rules having an adverse impact.

4           B. The task force shall consist of fifteen (15) members as  
5 follows:

6           1. Three members of the Senate to be appointed by the President  
7 Pro Tempore, not more than two of whom shall be members of the same  
8 political party;

9           2. Three members of the House of Representatives to be  
10 appointed by the Speaker of the House, not more than two of whom  
11 shall be members of the same political party;

12           3. Seven representatives of businesses regulated by state law  
13 to be appointed by the Governor, not more than four of whom shall be  
14 members of the same political party and not more than two of whom  
15 shall be from the same congressional district. At least one  
16 appointment shall be a representative of the following industries or  
17 areas:

- 18           a. banking,
- 19           b. oil and gas,
- 20           c. agriculture, and
- 21           d. small business;

22           4. The Director of the Department of Commerce or a designee;  
23 and

24           5. The Secretary of State or a designee.

1 C. The President Pro Tempore of the State Senate shall  
2 designate the chair of the task force. The Speaker of the Oklahoma  
3 House of Representatives shall designate the vice-chair of the task  
4 force. Appointments to the task force shall be made by August 31,  
5 2013. Meetings of the task force shall be held at the call of the  
6 chair of the task force. Members shall serve at the pleasure of  
7 their appointing authorities. A majority of the members of the task  
8 force shall constitute a quorum to transact business, but no vacancy  
9 shall impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all of  
10 the powers of the task force. A vacancy on the task force shall be  
11 filled by the original appointing authority. Staff support for the  
12 task force shall be provided by the staff of the State Senate and  
13 the Oklahoma House of Representatives. Upon request, all state  
14 agencies shall cooperate with the task force in the performance of  
15 its duties.

16 D. Members of the task force shall receive no compensation for  
17 serving on the task force, but shall receive travel reimbursement as  
18 follows:

19 1. State officers or employees who are members of the task  
20 force shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred in the  
21 performance of their duties by their respective agencies in  
22 accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act;

23 2. All other task force members shall be reimbursed by the  
24 appointing authority for travel expenses incurred in the performance

1 of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement  
2 Act; and

3 3. Legislative members shall be reimbursed in accordance with  
4 Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

5 E. The task force shall submit a report by November 30, 2014,  
6 to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate, and  
7 the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. The report  
8 shall include findings and recommendations for any statutory or  
9 regulatory changes deemed necessary or beneficial by the task force.

10 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
11 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
12 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
13 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT  
15 February 11, 2013 - DO PASS  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24