

**SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2650 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment submitted by: Seneca Scott \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

3 PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE  
4 SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2650

By: Scott

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8 PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9 An Act relating to healthy food access; creating the  
10 Task Force on Grocery Store Access; providing for  
11 membership; requiring organizational meeting;  
12 providing for selection of chairs or cochairs;  
13 providing for meetings as required to perform duties;  
14 providing for quorum requirement; imposing duties on  
15 Task Force; requiring examination of certain methods  
16 related to healthy food access; requiring final  
17 report; requiring recommendations; providing for  
18 codification; providing an effective date; and  
19 declaring an emergency.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-599 of Title 2, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created the Task Force on Grocery Store  
Access.

B. The Task Force shall be comprised of the following persons:

1           1. One person appointed by the Governor from a list of names  
2 submitted by an organization representing the interests of federally  
3 recognized Indian tribes within the state and the appointee shall be  
4 a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe;

5           2. One person appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of  
6 Representatives;

7           3. One person appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
8 Oklahoma State Senate;

9           4. Two persons appointed by the Oklahoma Department of  
10 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry;

11           5. Two persons appointed by the Oklahoma Department of  
12 Commerce;

13           6. Two persons appointed by a statewide organization formed for  
14 the primary purpose of representing the interests of wholesale or  
15 retail grocers doing business in this state;

16           7. One person appointed by a statewide organization the primary  
17 purpose of which is advocacy of farming; and

18           8. One person appointed by a statewide organization the primary  
19 purpose of which is citizenship advocacy.

20           C. The Task Force shall meet within sixty (60) days of the  
21 effective date of this act. The Task Force shall select from among  
22 its membership a chair and vice-chair or cochairs.

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1 D. A majority of the members who are present at a meeting shall  
2 constitute a quorum for the conduct of any business authorized or  
3 required by the provisions of this section.

4 E. The Task Force shall be authorized to meet as often as  
5 required to perform the duties imposed upon it by law.

6 F. The Task Force shall post notice of its meetings at least  
7 ten (10) days in advance and shall cause such notice to appear on  
8 the website of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the  
9 Oklahoma State Senate or any other state-supported government  
10 website that provides members of the public with general access to  
11 information regarding state government.

12 G. The Task Force shall:

13 1. Examine the existing conditions related to food availability  
14 in the state with emphasis on availability of basic foodstuffs,  
15 fruits, vegetables and other foods recommended for a healthy diet;

16 2. Examine methods to provide improved access to the food items  
17 described in paragraph 1 of this subsection;

18 3. Examine methods to provide incentives to food producers,  
19 wholesalers, retailers and other entities in the food production and  
20 food distribution chain in order to promote availability of basic  
21 food items;

22 4. Examine methods to provide incentives to the providers of  
23 capital in order to improve access to funds required for viable  
24 operation of business entities engaged in food distribution with

1 emphasis on retailers providing access to basic food items in  
2 geographies meeting the definition of a "food desert"; and

3 5. Such other matters that the Task Force deems to be in the  
4 interest of promoting, developing, supporting and communicating with  
5 interested stakeholders regarding access to basic and healthy food  
6 items with emphasis on availability of food items in geographies  
7 meeting the definition of a "food desert".

8 H. The Task Force shall develop a final report not later than  
9 December 31, 2016. The report shall be filed with the Governor, the  
10 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President  
11 Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2016.

13 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
14 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
16 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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