

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 1477

By: Wood of the House

and

6 Sharp of the Senate

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9 [ juries - Multicounty Grand Jury Act - jurors for  
10 civil and criminal actions -  
codification -

emergency ]

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 359, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 359. A. The Administrative Director of the Courts,  
17 upon receipt of the State Supreme Court order convening a  
18 multicounty grand jury, shall prepare a list of up to two hundred  
19 prospective jurors drawn from the current grand jury lists of the  
20 several counties designated in the order.

21 B. A multicounty grand jury shall be comprised of the same  
22 number of members having the same qualifications as provided by law  
23 for a county grand jury; provided, however, not more than one-half  
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1 (1/2) of the members of a multicounty grand jury shall be residents  
2 of any one county.

3 C. Where an electronic jury management system has been  
4 authorized for use in the courts pursuant to Section 13 of this act,  
5 the Administrative Director of the Courts is authorized to select  
6 and summon multicounty grand jurors utilizing the automated  
7 functionality provided in the jury management system.

8 D. The process of empaneling the multicounty grand jury shall  
9 be conducted under the supervision and control of the judge  
10 presiding over the multicounty grand jury and may be conducted in  
11 the same manner as is provided by law for empanelment of county  
12 grand and petit juries using the electronic jury management system.

13 E. Whenever the approved electronic jury management system is  
14 used to randomly select and sequentially order juror names during  
15 any step in the multicounty grand jury selection process, the laws  
16 relating to the use of a jury wheel, and laws requiring paper  
17 ballots drawn from a jury wheel or a shaken box, shall not apply,  
18 including but not limited to those requirements set forth in  
19 Sections 301 through 363 and Sections 591 through 693 of this title.

20 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 360, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 360. A. The court clerk of the county in which a  
23 prospective member of a multicounty grand jury resides, upon receipt  
24 from the Administrative Director of the Courts of a list of

1 prospective multicounty grand jurors residing in the county, shall  
2 cause such prospective jurors to be summoned for service.

3 B. Where an electronic jury management system has been  
4 authorized for use in the courts pursuant to Section 13 of this act,  
5 the Administrative Director of the Courts is authorized to issue and  
6 serve summons to the panel of prospective multicounty grand jurors  
7 utilizing the approved system. The Administrative Director of the  
8 Courts shall develop a standard summons form for multicounty grand  
9 jurors. The Administrative Director of the Courts is authorized to  
10 utilize the jury management system to prepare the summons and shall  
11 mail the summons by first-class mail to every person whose name is  
12 drawn for the multicounty grand jury, not less than ten (10) days  
13 prior to the day the person is to appear.

14 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 591, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 591. The jurors duly drawn and summoned for the trial  
17 of civil actions, may also be the jurors for the trial of criminal  
18 actions. In any district court where an electronic jury management  
19 system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act, jurors may  
20 be selected and summoned utilizing the automated functionality  
21 provided in the jury management system. Whenever the court utilizes  
22 the approved jury management system to randomly select and  
23 sequentially order juror names during any step in the jury selection  
24 process, the laws relating to the use of a jury wheel, and laws

1 requiring paper ballots drawn from a jury wheel or a shaken box,  
2 shall not apply, including but not limited to those requirements set  
3 forth in Sections 301 through 363 and Sections 591 through 693 of  
4 this title.

5 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 633, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 633. A. A challenge to the panel can be founded only  
8 on a material departure from the forms prescribed by law, in respect  
9 to the drawing and return of the jury, or on the intentional  
10 omission of the sheriff to summon one or more of the jurors drawn,  
11 from which the defendant has suffered material prejudice.

12 B. In any district court where an electronic jury management  
13 system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act, jurors may  
14 be selected and summoned utilizing the automated functionality  
15 provided in the jury management system. Use of an electronic jury  
16 management system shall not be grounds for a challenge to a panel  
17 based on a material departure or irregularity. Whenever the court  
18 utilizes the approved jury management system to randomly select and  
19 sequentially order juror names during any step in the jury selection  
20 process, the laws relating to the use of a jury wheel, and laws  
21 requiring paper ballots drawn from a jury wheel or a shaken box,  
22 shall not apply, including but not limited to those requirements set  
23 forth in Sections 301 through 363 and Sections 591 through 693 of  
24 this title.

1 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 18, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 18. For the purpose of ascertaining names of all  
4 persons qualified for jury service:

5 1. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall cause to be provided  
6 to the Administrative Director of the Courts, not later than the  
7 first day of October of each year, a list by county of residence of  
8 persons who reside in the county, who are eighteen (18) years of age  
9 or older, and who are holders of a current driver license or a  
10 current identification license issued by the Department of Public  
11 Safety. The list shall contain the name, date of birth, and mailing  
12 address of each person listed. The list may be maintained in  
13 electronic format and shall be used exclusively for jury selection  
14 purposes. The Administrative Director of the Courts and the court  
15 clerk shall not copy or permit any person to copy the list or any  
16 portion thereof for purposes other than jury selection;

17 2. All names and addresses of the persons so listed under the  
18 provisions of paragraph 1 of this section shall be used thereafter  
19 in the selection of juries; provided, however, no jury panel shall  
20 be quashed because of a duplication of names;

21 3. The list will be furnished by the Administrative Director of  
22 the Courts to the ~~court clerks~~ district courts according to the  
23 period of time and in the format prescribed by the Administrative  
24 Director of the Courts, and the district courts may maintain and use

1 the list in electronic format as a necessary part of an approved  
2 electronic jury management system implemented pursuant to Section 13  
3 of this act;

4 4. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to  
5 preclude persons otherwise qualified to serve as jurors from  
6 volunteering for jury service in a manner prescribed by the  
7 Administrative Director of the Courts; and

8 5. The Administrative Director of the Courts, the trial court  
9 administrator or the court clerk may accept changes or corrections  
10 in a mailing address or county of residence of a qualified juror  
11 from such qualified juror or from an electronic address verification  
12 process implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act. Changes may  
13 be accepted in any manner prescribed by the Administrative Director  
14 of the Courts.

15 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 19, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 19. A. The Administrative Director of the Courts shall  
18 cause to be generated, from the list of names of all persons who are  
19 known to be qualified jurors under the law, the general panel of  
20 jurors as required under Section 20 of this title or the list of  
21 prospective multicounty grand jurors as required under Section 359  
22 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

23 B. In any district court where an electronic jury management  
24 system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act, the

1 general jury panel for petit and county grand juries may be  
2 generated by the court clerk or trial court administrator utilizing  
3 the random selection processes provided in the jury management  
4 system.

5 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 20, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Section 20. A. In each county, the judges of the courts of  
8 record shall, more than ten (10) days prior to each term of court,  
9 determine approximately the number of jurors that are reasonably  
10 necessary for jury service in all the courts of record of the county  
11 for each jury period during the time the courts may hold during the  
12 term and shall thereupon order the number of jurors from the  
13 Administrative Director of the Courts for each jury period, said  
14 jury to be known as the general panel of jurors for service in all  
15 the courts of such county for the respective weeks for which they  
16 are designated to serve. A majority of the judges are authorized to  
17 act in carrying out the provisions of this law; provided, however,  
18 there is only one judge in the county or where the district judge so  
19 designates in writing the judge of the court of record using the  
20 jury is authorized to act in carrying out the provisions of this law  
21 or he or she may increase or diminish the number of jurors to be  
22 selected for any jury period, and shall order said jurors drawn for  
23 as many weeks in advance of service as they or he or she deem  
24 proper. The general panel shall report for duty to the presiding

1 judge or chief judge or other district court judge acting as his or  
2 her designee or, if none, to the judge of the court of record using  
3 the jury, and said judge, for such time as he or she so acts, shall  
4 organize said juries and have immediate supervision and control of  
5 them.

6 B. In any district court where an electronic jury management  
7 system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act, the  
8 general panel of jurors may be generated by the court clerk or trial  
9 court administrator using the random juror selection process and  
10 functionality which is provided in that system.

11 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 21, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 21. If a grand jury is ordered, the number stated in  
14 the judge's order, not to exceed one hundred, shall be summoned as  
15 grand jurors, and the grand jury shall be impaneled from said  
16 persons. The judge of the district court shall order the court  
17 clerk ~~or,~~ one of his or her deputies or the court administrator to  
18 order the stated number of jurors from the Administrative Director  
19 of the Courts. In any district court where an electronic jury  
20 management system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act,  
21 the judge may order the stated number of jurors to be randomly  
22 selected and summoned by the court clerk or trial court  
23 administrator utilizing the jury management system, and the district  
24 court may use the jury management system to randomly select the

1 names of the grand or petit jurors and alternate jurors from the  
2 panels so drawn. In addition to the twelve (12) grand jurors to be  
3 impaneled, three additional persons shall be selected as alternate  
4 grand jurors. The alternate grand jurors shall attend all functions  
5 of the grand jury during its term and shall be subject to all laws  
6 governing grand jurors. Provided that, no alternate juror shall  
7 participate in any deliberations of the grand jury until appointed  
8 to fill a vacancy. If the judge so directs, the persons summoned  
9 for the grand jury panel who are not used thereon may be transferred  
10 to the petit jury panel. Additional and other drawing of as many  
11 names as the court may order may be had at any such time as the  
12 court or judge may order for the completion of a grand or petit jury  
13 panel, or for the impaneling of a new grand or petit jury if, in the  
14 judgment of the court, the same shall be necessary, or if, for any  
15 cause, the court, in its discretion, shall deem other jurors  
16 necessary. The court may excuse or discharge any person drawn and  
17 summoned as a grand or petit juror, whenever, in its discretion,  
18 such action shall be deemed expedient. No person may be required to  
19 render service as a petit juror for more than one (1) day in any one  
20 calendar year unless he or she is selected to serve in a trial or is  
21 under consideration to serve in a trial and such consideration  
22 covers a period of two (2) or more days. Once selected, a juror  
23 shall serve on the jury for the duration of the trial unless excused  
24 by the presiding judge.

1 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 22, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 22. ~~Said jurors, when impaneled, shall constitute a~~  
4 ~~general panel for service as jurors in all district, superior,~~  
5 ~~common pleas and county court in the county, and shall be used~~  
6 ~~interchangeably in all such courts.~~ In the event of a deficiency of  
7 jurors at any given time to meet the ~~requirement of all of such~~  
8 ~~courts~~ needs of the district court, the presiding judge or chief  
9 judge, or other district court judge acting as his or her designee,  
10 having control of the general panel shall direct the ~~district~~ court  
11 clerk or trial court administrator to request from the  
12 Administrative Director of the Courts such additional jurors as may  
13 be sufficient to meet such emergency, ~~but such jurors shall act only~~  
14 ~~as special jurors and shall be discharged as soon as their services~~  
15 ~~are no further needed~~ the court's requirements. In any district  
16 court where an electronic jury management system is implemented  
17 pursuant to Section 13 of this act, the additional jurors authorized  
18 by this section may be randomly selected and summoned by the court  
19 clerk or trial court administrator utilizing the electronic jury  
20 management system.

21 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 23, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Section 23. A. The Administrative Director of the Courts shall  
24 develop a standard form to be used as a summons for service on the

1 grand and petit juries in the district courts of this state. The  
2 standard form shall include the time, place and the name of the  
3 court where said jurors are required to attend.

4 B. The summons shall be served by ~~the court clerk~~ by mailing a  
5 copy of such summons ~~by registered or certified mail, or as directed~~  
6 ~~by the judge,~~ to the person selected for service not less than ten  
7 (10) days before the day said person is to appear as a juror in such  
8 court. ~~The court clerk~~ person mailing the summons shall make a  
9 return of such service by filing an affidavit stating the date of  
10 mailing ~~and type of mail used in sending~~ the summons; provided, that  
11 this shall not prevent service of special venire or talesman by the  
12 sheriff of the county.

13 C. In any district court where an electronic jury management  
14 system is implemented pursuant to Section 13 of this act, grand and  
15 petit jurors may be summoned by using the automated process of  
16 creating and mailing juror summons provided in the electronic jury  
17 management system. The Administrative Director of the Courts shall  
18 develop a standard juror summons form to be used in the system,  
19 which shall include a section for the district court to add  
20 information specific to the local court. Where the court follows  
21 the procedures for creating and mailing the summons as set forth in  
22 Section 13 of this act, the return-of-service affidavit required by  
23 subsection B of this section need not be filed.  
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1 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 38 O.S. 2011, Section 28, as last  
2 amended by Section 1, Chapter 15, O.S.L. 2014 (38 O.S. Supp. 2014,  
3 Section 28), is amended to read as follows:

4 Section 28. A. It is the policy of this state that all  
5 citizens qualified for jury service pursuant to this section have an  
6 obligation to serve on petit juries when summoned by the courts of  
7 this state, unless excused.

8 B. All citizens of the United States, residing in this state,  
9 having the qualifications of electors of this state, are competent  
10 jurors to serve on all grand and petit juries within their counties;  
11 provided, that persons over seventy (70) years of age and persons  
12 who have served as a grand or petit juror during the last five (5)  
13 immediately preceding calendar years shall not be compelled to serve  
14 as jurors in this state and the court may excuse or discharge any  
15 juror drawn and summoned as a grand or petit juror if:

16 1. The prospective juror has a mental or physical condition  
17 that causes him or her to be incapable of performing jury service.  
18 The juror, or the juror's personal representative, shall provide the  
19 court with documentation from a physician licensed to practice  
20 medicine verifying that a mental or physical condition renders the  
21 person unfit for jury service for a period of up to twenty-four (24)  
22 months; or

23 2. Jury service would cause undue or extreme physical or  
24 financial hardship to the prospective juror or a person under his or

1 her care or supervision. A judge of the court for which the  
2 individual was called to jury service shall make undue or extreme  
3 physical or financial hardship determinations. The authority to  
4 make these determinations is delegable only to court officials or  
5 personnel who are authorized by the laws of this state to function  
6 as members of the judiciary. A person requesting to be excused  
7 based on a finding of undue or extreme physical or financial  
8 hardship shall take all actions necessary to have obtained a ruling  
9 on that request by no later than the date on which the individual is  
10 scheduled to appear for jury duty. For purposes of this section,  
11 "undue or extreme physical or financial hardship" is limited to  
12 circumstances in which an individual would be required to abandon a  
13 person under his or her personal care or supervision due to the  
14 impossibility of obtaining an appropriate substitute caregiver  
15 during the period of participation in the jury pool or on the jury,  
16 incur costs that would have a substantial adverse impact on the  
17 payment of the individual's necessary daily living expenses or on  
18 those for whom he or she provides the principle means of support, or  
19 suffer physical hardship that would result in illness or disease.  
20 Undue or extreme physical or financial hardship does not exist  
21 solely based on the fact that a prospective juror will be required  
22 to be absent from his or her place of employment. A person  
23 requesting a judge to grant an excuse based on undue or extreme  
24 physical or financial hardship shall be required to provide the

1 judge with documentation, such as, but not limited to, federal and  
2 state income tax returns, medical statements from licensed  
3 physicians, proof of dependency or guardianship, and similar  
4 documents, which the judge finds to clearly support the request to  
5 be excused. Failure to provide satisfactory documentation shall  
6 result in a denial of the request to be excused.

7 After two (2) years, a person excused from jury service shall  
8 become eligible once again for qualification as a juror unless the  
9 person was excused from service permanently. A person is excused  
10 from jury service permanently only when the deciding judge  
11 determines that the underlying grounds for being excused are of a  
12 permanent nature.

13 C. Persons who are not qualified to serve as jurors are:

- 14 1. Justices of the Supreme Court or the Court of Civil Appeals;
- 15 2. Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals or the district  
16 court;
- 17 3. Sheriffs or deputy sheriffs;
- 18 4. Licensed attorneys engaged in the practice of law;
- 19 5. Persons who have been convicted of any felony or who have  
20 served a term of imprisonment in any penitentiary, state or federal,  
21 for the commission of a felony; provided, any such citizen  
22 convicted, who has been fully restored to his or her civil rights,  
23 shall be eligible to serve as a juror; and  
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1           6. Legislators during a session of the Legislature or when  
2 involved in state business.

3           D. Jailers or law enforcement officers, municipal, state or  
4 federal, shall be eligible to serve on noncriminal actions only.

5           E. Upon his or her request, a person shall be exempt from  
6 service as a juror if the person is:

7           1. A member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is  
8 serving on active duty during a time of war or declared hostilities;  
9 or

10          2. A mother who is breast-feeding a baby.

11          F. The district court may provide electronic resources for  
12 persons summoned for jury duty to obtain information about their  
13 jury service and to submit information to the court, including but  
14 not limited to communications via telephone, text message,  
15 electronic mail and website. The court may utilize an approved  
16 electronic jury management system to record, process, respond to,  
17 and maintain juror communications. The court clerk and the trial  
18 court administrator, under the supervision and control of the  
19 presiding judge or chief judge, or any district judge acting as his  
20 or her designee, may be authorized to make determinations regarding  
21 juror excusals, exemptions, disqualifications, postponements and  
22 deferrals. However, determinations regarding extreme physical or  
23 financial hardship shall be made as provided in paragraph 2 of  
24 subsection B of this section.

1        G. Information provided to the court pursuant to this section  
2 by persons summoned for jury service shall be used exclusively for  
3 purposes of determining jury disqualifications or excusals. No  
4 person shall disclose, copy or permit any person to copy this  
5 information for purposes other than jury management.

6        SECTION 12.        AMENDATORY        38 O.S. 2011, Section 36, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8        Section 36. A. Persons serving as jurors during a trial shall  
9 not be asked or required to give their complete residence address or  
10 telephone number in the presence of the defendant.

11        B. Names and personal information concerning prospective and  
12 sitting jurors shall not be disclosed to the public outside open  
13 court, except upon order of the court. A request for disclosure of  
14 petit jurors' names and personal information shall be made in  
15 writing directly to the presiding judge or chief judge, or any  
16 district judge acting as his or her designee. The court shall order  
17 juror names and personal information to be kept confidential unless  
18 the interests of justice require otherwise.

19        C. Names and personal information concerning prospective petit  
20 jurors may be provided to the attorneys of record after the general  
21 panel jurors have been selected and summoned, unless otherwise  
22 directed by the court. The names and information will be provided  
23 in written form only, hereafter referred to as "the jury list". The  
24 attorneys shall not share the jury list or information contained in

1 the jury list except as necessary for purposes of jury selection.  
2 Following jury selection, the attorneys shall return the original  
3 jury lists and any copies to the court. Counsel shall be under a  
4 continuing duty to protect the confidentiality of juror information.

5 D. The names of grand jurors shall not be maintained in any  
6 public record or otherwise disclosed to the public except upon an  
7 order of the court issued on a showing that exceptional  
8 circumstances have created a demonstrated need for disclosure.

9 SECTION 13. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 18.2 of Title 38, unless there  
11 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 A. In lieu of a local plan adopted pursuant to subsection A of  
13 Section 18.1 of Title 38 of the Oklahoma Statutes, each district  
14 court may utilize an approved electronic jury management system  
15 (JMS) authorized by the Administrative Director of the Courts for  
16 the random selection of grand and petit jurors and for the general  
17 administration of the jury process. In any district court where an  
18 approved electronic JMS is implemented, the provisions set forth in  
19 this section shall apply.

20 B. The clerk of the district court shall manage the jury  
21 selection process, under the supervision and control of the  
22 presiding judge or chief judge or any other district judge acting as  
23 his or her designee. In district courts with a trial court  
24 administrator, the court administrator may be authorized to manage

1 some or all of the jury selection process, under the supervision and  
2 control of the presiding judge or chief judge or any other district  
3 judge acting as his or her designee. In managing the jury selection  
4 process, the court clerk and the trial court administrator are  
5 authorized to delegate duties to their staff and to utilize the  
6 electronic processes, random selection functionality and data  
7 processing services of the authorized JMS, as may be necessary in  
8 the jury selection and maintenance process.

9 C. In each district court, the presiding judge or chief judge  
10 or any other district judge acting as his or her designee shall,  
11 more than twenty (20) days prior to each term of court, determine  
12 approximately the number of jurors that are reasonably necessary to  
13 meet the needs of the district court for each jury term and shall  
14 order the drawing of that number of jurors, either all at one time  
15 or at periodic intervals, in advance of each term as he or she deems  
16 proper.

17 D. The court clerk or the trial court administrator may utilize  
18 the JMS to randomly draw a sufficient number of names from the  
19 source list provided by the Administrative Director of the Courts,  
20 pursuant to Section 18 of Title 38 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to  
21 satisfy the number of jurors ordered by the judge, including a  
22 margin of extra names sufficient to compensate for the estimated  
23 number that will be unavailable or ineligible. The names drawn  
24 shall comprise the general panel of jurors from which jurors are

1 selected for service in the district court during the period for  
2 which they are designated to serve. The court clerk or the trial  
3 court administrator may use the JMS to draw jury panels in  
4 accordance with the local district court procedures, including jury  
5 panels for an "on call" jury system or a "trailing" jury system.  
6 The Administrative Director of the Courts, the trial court  
7 administrator and the court clerk shall not disclose, copy or permit  
8 any person to copy any general panel jury list or any portion  
9 thereof except as provided in Section 36 of Title 38 of the Oklahoma  
10 Statutes.

11 E. The court clerk or the trial court administrator may utilize  
12 the JMS to prepare the summons for jury service and shall cause the  
13 same to be mailed by first-class mail to every person whose name is  
14 drawn for the general jury panel. At the option of the court clerk  
15 or trial court administrator, juror summons may be mailed by the  
16 clerk's office or by a commercial mailing service. The court may  
17 utilize an automated address verification process to avoid mailing  
18 summons to incomplete or invalid addresses or to persons who no  
19 longer reside in the jurisdiction.

20 F. The court clerk or the trial court administrator may utilize  
21 the JMS to randomly select names of prospective jurors for  
22 assignment to a specific trial or grand jury, collectively referred  
23 to as "case panel". The court clerk or the trial court  
24 administrator shall produce a written list of each case panel, with

1 the names of the jurors selected for the case panel appearing in a  
2 random sequential order assigned by the JMS. The court and the  
3 attorneys of record in the case may be provided with a copy of the  
4 written case panel list. No person shall disclose, copy or permit  
5 any other person to copy the list or any portion of the list for  
6 purposes other than jury selection. The judge, court clerk or court  
7 staff may call the individual jurors and alternate jurors to be  
8 impaneled in the case or on a grand jury, one by one, in the order  
9 by which they appear on the written case panel list. Whenever a  
10 juror is dismissed for cause or preemptory challenge, the juror  
11 whose name next appears on the written list may be called, and this  
12 process shall continue until the jury is sworn or affirmed.

13 G. Use of an approved electronic JMS shall not be grounds for a  
14 challenge to a juror or a panel based on a material departure or  
15 irregularity from the requirements prescribed by law. Whenever the  
16 court utilizes the approved JMS to randomly select and sequentially  
17 order juror names during any step in the jury selection process, the  
18 laws relating to the selection of grand or petit jurors by use of a  
19 jury wheel, and laws requiring paper ballots drawn from a jury wheel  
20 or a shaken box, including those requirements set forth in Sections  
21 301 through 363 and Sections 591 through 693 of Title 22 of the  
22 Oklahoma Statutes, shall not apply.

23 H. The court clerk or the trial court administrator may utilize  
24 the JMS for the creation and maintenance of all records and

1 documents necessary to summon, qualify, manage and pay jurors for  
2 service and may maintain jury records in electronic format utilizing  
3 the data processing methods which are provided in the JMS.

4 I. Each district court may provide electronic resources,  
5 including but not limited to an automated telephone system and a  
6 website, for jurors to obtain information about their jury service  
7 and submit information to the court.

8 J. The court may utilize the JMS to prepare and mail juror  
9 questionnaires and may provide for jurors to answer juror  
10 questionnaires either by mail or by the court's website.

11 K. Nothing in this section shall be construed to minimize or  
12 repeal the authority granted in Section 18.1 of Title 38 of the  
13 Oklahoma Statutes regarding use of an approved electronic method for  
14 jury selection.

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

19 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
20 April 8, 2015 - DO PASS AS AMENDED  
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