

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1079

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution urging the Oklahoma Attorney General to
9 investigate Oklahoma veterans centers; and directing
10 distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, Oklahoma veterans nursing homes have been unardonably
13 mismanaged and provided unethical treatment to our honorable
14 veterans; and

15 WHEREAS, within the last several years, state veterans nursing
16 homes have been cited with multiple violations of state standards
17 for nursing homes; and

18 WHEREAS, most recently the Oklahoma State Department of Health
19 investigated Oklahoma Veterans Center of Norman on April 11, 2016,
20 relating to complaints that the facility failed to thoroughly
21 investigate an allegation of neglect made by a resident concerning
22 care; and

23 WHEREAS, through their investigation, the Oklahoma State
24 Department of Health found evidence to substantiate the claim for

1 failing to thoroughly investigate an allegation of neglect while
2 additional deficiencies were also cited relating to the facility
3 failing to follow a physician's order regarding care of a resident;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, the pattern of neglect, physical and emotional abuse
6 and mistreatment of veterans at the veterans centers in Oklahoma
7 must stop.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

10 THAT the House of Representatives hereby urges the Attorney
11 General of the State of Oklahoma to investigate all veterans centers
12 under the authority of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs
13 for unresolved and ongoing failure to protect veteran residents in
14 Oklahoma.

15 THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma
16 Attorney General and members of the Oklahoma Veterans Commission.

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