

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE BILL 524

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to county assessors; amending 68 O.S.
8 2011, Section 2814, which relates to office of county
9 assessor; stating expiration of county assessor
10 positions by certain date; directing certain
11 districts be drawn to certain standard; clarifying
12 continuance of certain duties; providing method of
13 election of district assessors; creating the position
14 of county appraiser; requiring appointment of county
15 appraiser by district assessors; stating operating
16 authority; requiring certain terminology under
17 certain circumstances; providing for codification;
18 and providing effective dates.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2814, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 2814. A. There is hereby created the office of county
23 assessor in and for each county of this state, which office shall be
24 filled in the same manner as provided by Section 131 of Title 19 of
the Oklahoma Statutes. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
the office of county assessor shall expire, whether the term of
office is set for expiration or not, at the end of 2016 and a
successor is elected pursuant to subsection C of this section.

1 B. By July 1, 2016, there shall be assessor districts drawn to
2 coincide with the judicial districts of this state. A district
3 assessor shall be elected pursuant to subsection C of this section
4 to execute the powers and duties as provided by law. The assessor
5 districts shall replace the county assessors in each of the counties
6 pursuant to subsection A of this section. The assessor districts
7 will continue to coincide with the judicial districts upon any
8 future modification of the judicial districts. A county assessor
9 shall continue to carry out duties assigned pursuant to law in
10 accordance with subsection A of this section until a district
11 assessor is elected.

12 C. The office of district assessor shall be elected in the same
13 manner as now prevails for district judge. Filing for the office of
14 district assessor shall be accomplished by filing with the State
15 Election Board.

16 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2814.1 of Title 68, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 There is hereby created the position of county appraiser in and
20 for each county of this state. The county appraiser for each county
21 of a district shall be appointed by the respective district
22 assessor. The county appraiser shall operate under the direction of
23 the district assessor of the respective assessor district.
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SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2814.2 of Title 68, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Whenever the name of county assessor appears in any law contract or other document it shall be deemed to refer to district assessor.

SECTION 4. Section 1 of this act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

SECTION 5. Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall become effective January 1, 2016.

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