

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE BILL 852

By: Jolley and Treat of the  
Senate

4 and

5 Sears and Casey of the  
6 House

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Department of  
11 Transportation; providing that employees of  
12 Department be in classified service and subject to  
Merit System of Personnel Administration; providing  
13 exceptions; providing for codification; providing an  
effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 840-5.25 of Title 74, unless  
18 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation shall be under the  
20 Merit System. Except as otherwise provided in subsection B of this  
21 section, all offices, positions, and personnel shall be classified  
22 and subject to the provisions of the Merit System of Personnel  
23 Administration and rules promulgated pursuant thereto. This section  
24 shall supersede and repeal any and all executive orders issued

1 pursuant to the Oklahoma Personnel Act to place the agency or its  
2 predecessors under the Merit System.

3 B. In addition to offices, positions, and personnel that are  
4 unclassified as specifically provided by law, the Oklahoma  
5 Department of Transportation may place any employee initially  
6 employed in the following positions on or after July 1, 2015, in the  
7 unclassified service:

8 1. Five (5) assistant director positions;

9 2. Five (5) executive assistant positions, assigned to an  
10 assistant director;

11 3. Ten (10) project manager positions;

12 4. Ten (10) transportation coordinator positions; and

13 5. Five (5) administration coordinator positions.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

15 SECTION 3. 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.

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