

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

SENATE BILL 1745

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Senate

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

[campaign finance and financial disclosure - acts
for counties, municipalities, technology center
districts and school districts - repealer -
codification - noncodification - effective date]

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known as the "Local Government Campaign
Finance and Financial Disclosure Act". The Local Government
Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be codified in
those titles of the Oklahoma Statutes relating to the various levels
of local government to which the act applies.

B. The Legislature hereby finds that:

1 1. The Oklahoma Constitution requires that all elections shall
2 be free and equal and prohibits local and special laws for the
3 conduct of elections;

4 2. The conduct of campaigns for county, municipal, technology
5 center district and independent school district elections is
6 inextricably intertwined with the elections themselves and that the
7 conduct of such campaigns is a matter of statewide concern;

8 3. For the citizens of this state to be adequately informed
9 regarding possible conflicts of interest, financial disclosure by
10 candidates, elected officials and other officials of certain county
11 and municipal governments is necessary;

12 4. Information regarding campaigns for county, municipal,
13 technology center district and independent school district elections
14 and financial disclosure documents should be made available locally
15 to be more accessible to the electorate; and

16 5. Enforcement of laws governing campaigns for county,
17 municipal, technology center district and independent school
18 district should be uniform statewide.

19 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.11 of Title 19, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 Sections 2 through 10 of this act shall be the provisions of the
23 Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
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1 applicable to counties and shall be known as the "County Campaign
2 Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

3 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.12 of Title 19, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 A. Definitions of terms used in the County Campaign Finance and
7 Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are
8 defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to
9 Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless
10 otherwise provided herein.

11 B. As used in the County Campaign Finance and Financial
12 Disclosure Act:

13 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be
14 composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the
15 election of a specific candidate to county office, whose name as it
16 will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the committee;

17 2. "County office" means any elective county office for which
18 Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the county
19 election board as required by Section 5-103 of Title 26 of the
20 Oklahoma Statutes; and

21 3. "County political committee" means any committee composed of
22 one or more persons whose purposes include the election or defeat of
23 one or more candidates for county office but that are not required
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1 to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal Election
2 Commission.

3 C. The provisions of the County Campaign Finance and Financial
4 Disclosure Act shall only apply to counties with a population over
5 fifteen thousand (15,000) persons according to the most recent
6 federal decennial census.

7 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.13 of Title 19, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 Each candidate for county office shall be required to establish
11 a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file a
12 notarized statement of organization with the county election board
13 subject to the same requirements as candidate committees for state
14 office are required to file statements of organization with the
15 Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated
16 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution,
17 including but not limited to time for filing and contents, except as
18 otherwise provided in the County Campaign Finance and Financial
19 Disclosure Act. If a candidate has not previously filed a statement
20 of organization, a statement of organization must be filed at the
21 time of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for county office. The
22 statement shall include a street address and a telephone number at
23 which requests for inspection and copying of reports of the
24 committee may be made as provided in Section 6 or 8 of this act.

1 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.14 of Title 19, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Every county political committee shall file a notarized
5 statement of organization with the county election board subject to
6 the same requirements as political committees are required to file
7 statements of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of
8 the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article
9 XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time
10 for filing and contents.

11 SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.15 of Title 19, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 Every campaign committee and every county political committee
15 shall prepare and maintain notarized reports of contributions and
16 expenditures subject to the same requirements as set forth for
17 reports of contributions and expenditures filed with the Ethics
18 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
19 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution. Such
20 reports shall be maintained by the committee and shall be made
21 available for inspection and copying by any person within one (1)
22 business day of receipt of a written request but shall not be
23 required to be filed with the county election board or the Ethics
24 Commission. Any request for inspection and copying may be made at

1 the address of the committee as reported on its statement of
2 organization.

3 SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.16 of Title 19, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
7 expenditures required under the County Campaign Finance and
8 Financial Disclosure Act shall be public records. The county
9 election board or committee shall maintain statements of
10 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four
11 (4) years after the date on which they are filed or prepared, if not
12 posted on the county's website as provided herein, at which time the
13 documents may be destroyed or retained at the discretion of the
14 county election board or committee. If the county in which the
15 statements of organization are filed maintains an Internet website,
16 the county election board may post on the website copies of
17 statements of organization.

18 SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.17 of Title 19, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 All candidates for county office and all elected county officers
22 shall be required to prepare and maintain a notarized statement of
23 financial interests subject to the same requirements as set forth
24 for statements of financial interests filed with the Ethics

1 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
2 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution.

3 SECTION 9. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.18 of Title 19, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Statements of financial interests required under the County
7 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public
8 records and shall be made available to any person for inspection and
9 copying by any person within two (2) business days of receipt of a
10 written request, but shall not be required to be filed with the
11 county election board or the Ethics Commission. Any request for
12 inspection and copying may be made at the address of the candidate
13 committee as reported on its statement of organization for county
14 candidates, or at the office of the officer or employee. The county
15 candidate or officer shall maintain statements of financial
16 interests for four (4) years after the date on which they are filed,
17 at which time the documents may be destroyed or retained at the
18 discretion of the county candidate or officer.

19 SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 138.19 of Title 19, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 The County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall
23 be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of
24 the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article

1 XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not
2 limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement
3 agreements and any other compliance practices or requirements.
4 Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing
5 of statements required to be filed under the County Campaign Finance
6 and Financial Disclosure Act later than the prescribed time for
7 filing or failure to produce reports required to be available for
8 public inspection and copying. Such complaints shall be in the same
9 form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such complaints, the
10 Ethics Commission shall investigate whether the allegation or
11 allegations are true and, if so, shall assess a late reporting
12 penalty of up to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to
13 exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing
14 of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission determines the
15 allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take no further
16 action. Persons assessed a late reporting penalty may protest the
17 assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative Procedures
18 Act.

19 SECTION 11. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-101 of Title 11, unless there
21 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22 Sections 11 through 20 of this act shall be the provisions of
23 the Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
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1 applicable to municipalities and shall be known as the "Municipal
2 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act".

3 SECTION 12. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-102 of Title 11, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 A. Definitions of terms used in the Municipal Campaign Finance
7 and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are
8 defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to
9 Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless
10 otherwise provided herein.

11 B. As used in the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial
12 Disclosure Act:

13 1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be
14 composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the
15 election of a specific candidate to municipal office, whose name as
16 it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the
17 committee;

18 2. "Municipal office" means any elective municipal office for
19 which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the
20 county election board as required by Sections 16-109 and 16-110 of
21 Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

22 3. "Municipal political committee" means any committee composed
23 of one or more persons whose purposes include the election or defeat
24 of one or more candidates for municipal office but that are not

1 required to register with the Ethics Commission or the Federal
2 Election Commission.

3 SECTION 13. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-103 of Title 11, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
7 shall apply only to municipalities with a population of more than
8 ten thousand (10,000) according to the most recent federal decennial
9 census.

10 SECTION 14. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-104 of Title 11, unless there
12 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 Each candidate for municipal office shall be required to
14 establish a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file
15 a statement of organization with the municipal clerk subject to the
16 same requirements as candidate committees for state office are
17 required to file statements of organization with the Ethics
18 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
19 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including
20 but not limited to time for filing and contents. If a candidate has
21 not previously established a campaign committee, a campaign
22 committee statement of organization must be filed within two (2)
23 business days of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for municipal
24 office.

1 SECTION 15. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-105 of Title 11, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Every municipal political committee shall file a statement of
5 organization with the municipal clerk subject to the same
6 requirements as political committees are required to file statements
7 of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics
8 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
9 Oklahoma Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing
10 and contents.

11 SECTION 16. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-106 of Title 11, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 Every campaign committee and every municipal political committee
15 shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with the
16 municipal clerk subject to the same requirements as candidate
17 committees and political action committees, respectively, are
18 required to file reports of contributions and expenditures with the
19 Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated
20 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution,
21 including but not limited to time for filing and contents.

22 SECTION 17. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-107 of Title 11, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
2 expenditures required to be filed with the municipal clerk under the
3 Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be
4 public records. The municipal clerk shall maintain statements of
5 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four
6 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on
7 the municipality's website as provided herein, at which time the
8 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of
9 the municipal clerk. If the municipality in which the statements of
10 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures are filed
11 maintains an Internet website, the municipal clerk may post on the
12 website copies of statements of organization and reports of
13 contributions and expenditures.

14 SECTION 18. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-108 of Title 11, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 All candidates for municipal office and all elected municipal
18 officers, shall be required to file a statement of financial
19 interests with the municipal clerk subject to the same requirements
20 as candidates for state office, and compensated state officers are
21 required to file statements of financial interests with the Ethics
22 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
23 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including
24 but not limited to time for filing and contents.

1 SECTION 19. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-109 of Title 11, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Statements of financial interests required to be filed with the
5 municipal clerk under the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial
6 Disclosure Act shall be public records. The municipal clerk shall
7 maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years after
8 the date on which they are filed, if not posted on the
9 municipality's website as provided herein, at which time the
10 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of
11 the municipal clerk. If the municipality in which the statements of
12 financial interests are filed maintains an Internet website, the
13 municipal clerk may post on the website copies of statements of
14 financial interests.

15 SECTION 20. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 56-110 of Title 11, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 The Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
19 shall be enforced by the Ethics Commission in the same manner as
20 Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of
21 Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including
22 but not limited to acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions,
23 settlement agreements and any other compliance practices or
24 requirements. Complaints may be received by the Ethics Commission

1 alleging filing of statements or reports required to be filed under
2 the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act later
3 than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints shall be in
4 the same form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such complaints
5 of late filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate whether the
6 allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall assess a late
7 filing penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day, not to
8 exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the filing
9 of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission determines the
10 allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take no further
11 action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest the
12 assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative Procedures
13 Act.

14 SECTION 21. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-110 of Title 70, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 Sections 21 through 30 of this act shall be the provisions of
18 the Local Government Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act
19 applicable to technology center districts and independent school
20 districts and shall be known as the "Technology Center District and
21 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
22 Disclosure Act".
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SECTION 22. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-111 of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Definitions of terms used in the Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be the same as those terms are defined in Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, unless otherwise provided herein.

B. As used in the Technology Center District and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act:

1. "Campaign committee" means a committee, which may be composed of one or more persons, whose purpose is to support the election of a specific candidate to school district office, whose name as it will appear on the ballot shall appear in the name of the committee;

2. "School district" means a technology center district or an independent school district;

3. "School district office" means any elective school district office for which Declarations of Candidacy are filed with the secretary of the county election board as required by Section 13A-105 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

4. "School district political committee" means any committee composed of one or more persons whose purposes include the election

1 or defeat of one or more candidates for school district office but
2 that are not required to register with the Ethics Commission or the
3 Federal Election Commission.

4 SECTION 23. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
5 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-112 of Title 70, unless there
6 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

7 The Technology Center District and Independent School District
8 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall apply to all
9 technology center districts and shall apply to all independent
10 school districts.

11 SECTION 24. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-113 of Title 70, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 Each candidate for school district office shall be required to
15 establish a campaign committee. Each campaign committee shall file
16 a statement of organization with the school district clerk subject
17 to the same requirements as candidate committees for state office
18 are required to file statements of organization with the Ethics
19 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
20 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including
21 but not limited to time for filing and contents. If a candidate has
22 not previously established a campaign committee, a campaign
23 committee statement of organization must be filed within two (2)
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1 business days of filing a Declaration of Candidacy for school
2 district office.

3 SECTION 25. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-114 of Title 70, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 Every school district political committee shall file a statement
7 of organization with the school district clerk subject to the same
8 requirements as political committees are required to file statements
9 of organization with the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics
10 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
11 Oklahoma Constitution, including, but not limited to, time for
12 filing and contents.

13 SECTION 26. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-115 of Title 70, unless there
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 Every campaign committee and every school district political
17 committee shall file a report of contributions and expenditures with
18 the school district clerk subject to the same requirements as
19 candidate committees and political action committees, respectively,
20 are required to file reports of contributions and expenditures with
21 the Ethics Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission
22 promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma
23 Constitution, including but not limited to time for filing and
24 contents.

1 SECTION 27. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-116 of Title 70, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 Statements of organization and reports of contributions and
5 expenditures required to be filed with the school district clerk
6 under the Technology Center District and Independent School District
7 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be public
8 records. The school district clerk shall maintain statements of
9 organization and reports of contributions and expenditures for four
10 (4) years after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on
11 the school district's website as provided herein, at which time the
12 documents may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of
13 the school district clerk. If the school district in which the
14 statements of organization and reports of contributions and
15 expenditures.

16 SECTION 28. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-117 of Title 70, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 All candidates for school district office, all elected school
20 district officers, the superintendent of schools for the school
21 district and all heads of school district departments who have
22 independent authority to make purchases made by the school district
23 shall be required to file a statement of financial interests with
24 the school district clerk subject to the same requirements as

1 candidates for state office and compensated state officers are
2 required to file statements of financial interests with the Ethics
3 Commission under Rules of the Ethics Commission promulgated pursuant
4 to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the Oklahoma Constitution, including
5 but not limited to time for filing and contents.

6 SECTION 29. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-118 of Title 70, unless there
8 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 Statements of financial interests required to be filed with the
10 school district clerk under the Technology Center District and
11 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
12 Disclosure Act shall be public records. The school district clerk
13 shall maintain statements of financial interests for four (4) years
14 after the date on which they are filed, if not posted on the school
15 district's website as provided herein, at which time the documents
16 may be destroyed or retained subject to the discretion of the school
17 district clerk. If the school district in which the statements of
18 financial interests are filed maintains an Internet website, the
19 school district clerk may post on the website copies of statements
20 of financial interests.

21 SECTION 30. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-119 of Title 70, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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1 The Technology Center District and Independent School District
2 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act shall be enforced by
3 the Ethics Commission in the same manner as Rules of the Ethics
4 Commission promulgated pursuant to Section 3 of Article XXIX of the
5 Oklahoma Constitution are enforced, including but not limited to
6 acceptance of complaints, civil prosecutions, settlement agreements
7 and any other compliance practices or requirements. Complaints may
8 be received by the Ethics Commission alleging filing of statements
9 or reports required to be filed under the Technology Center District
10 and Independent School District Campaign Finance and Disclosure Act
11 later than the prescribed time for filing. Such complaints shall be
12 in the same form as other complaints. Upon receipt of such
13 complaints of late filing, the Ethics Commission shall investigate
14 whether the allegation or allegations are true and, if so, shall
15 assess a late filing penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per
16 day, not to exceed a maximum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for
17 the filing of any statement or report. If the Ethics Commission
18 determines the allegation or allegations are not true, it shall take
19 no further action. Persons assessed a late filing fee may protest
20 the assessment subject to provisions of the Administrative
21 Procedures Act.

22 SECTION 31. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4261 of Title 74, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 The Ethics Commission shall design all forms required for
2 compliance with the County Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure
3 Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act and
4 the Technology Center District and Independent School District
5 Campaign Finance and Financial Disclosure Act. Such forms shall be
6 made available in electronic form on the Commission's Internet
7 website.

8 SECTION 32. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
9 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4262 of Title 74, unless there
10 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

11 For purposes of enforcing the County Campaign Finance and
12 Financial Disclosure Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and
13 Financial Disclosure Act, and the Technology Center District and
14 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
15 Disclosure Act the Ethics Commission shall establish a special
16 division to be known as the "Political Subdivisions Enforcement
17 Division". The Executive Director of the Ethics Commission may
18 employ staff for the Political Subdivisions Enforcement Division, or
19 may contract for services to be performed by the Division, or both.

20 SECTION 33. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4258.1 of Title 74, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund
24 for the Ethics Commission to be designated the "Political

1 Subdivisions Enforcement Fund". The fund shall be a continuing
2 fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of
3 all funds appropriated by the Legislature to the fund and all late
4 filing fees, fines from settlement agreements and fines assessed by
5 the District Court for violations of the County Campaign Finance and
6 Financial Disclosure Act, the Municipal Campaign Finance and
7 Financial Disclosure Act, and the Technology Center District and
8 Independent School District Campaign Finance and Financial
9 Disclosure Act. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are
10 hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the
11 Commission for any expenses incurred by the Political Subdivisions
12 Enforcement Division. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon
13 warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as
14 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and
15 Enterprise Services for approval and payment. No later than January
16 31, 2016, and every year thereafter, the State Treasurer shall
17 transfer to the General Revenue Fund of the state any monies in the
18 fund in excess of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).
19 If at any time the amount of money in the fund is less than One
20 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), the Executive Director of
21 the Commission may order that there be no further enforcement by the
22 Political Subdivisions Enforcement Division until the amount of
23 money in the fund is more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars
24 (\$100,000.00).

1 SECTION 34. REPEALER 51 O.S. 2011, Sections 301, 302,
2 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315,
3 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324 and 325, are hereby
4 repealed.

5 SECTION 35. This act shall become effective January 1, 2015.

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