

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 276

 By: Bass and Johnson
 (Constance) of the Senate

6 and

7 Dorman of the House

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10 An Act relating to absentee ballots; amending 26 O.S.
11 2011, Section 14-110.1, which relates to physically
12 incapacitated persons; modifying persons authorized
13 to make application for absentee ballot for
14 physically incapacitated persons; providing
15 limitations; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 14-110.1, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 14-110.1. A registered voter who swears or affirms that
20 the voter is physically unable to vote in person at the precinct on
21 the day of the election because the voter is:

- 22 1. Physically incapacitated; or
23 2. Charged with the care of another person who is physically
24 incapacitated and who cannot be left unattended;

1 may apply for an absentee ballot. Such applications may be made by
2 United States mail, ~~by telegraph~~ or by facsimile device as defined
3 by Section 1862 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or may be made
4 in person at the office of the county election board by an agent of
5 the voter. Such an agent shall be a person of the voter's choosing
6 who is at least sixteen (16) years of age and who is not employed by
7 or related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to
8 any person whose name appears on the ballot. No person may be the
9 agent for more than one voter at any election. The Secretary of the
10 State Election Board shall prescribe a form to be used for ~~said~~ the
11 application, although any application setting forth substantially
12 the same facts shall be valid.

13 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
14 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this resolution shall take
16 effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 04/03/2013 - DO PASS.
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