

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 26, 2014

3 **AS AMENDED**

4 SENATE BILL NO. 1372

By: Brecheen and Ivester of the
Senate

and

Echols and Bennett of the
House

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9 **[Department of Public Safety - Highway Division and**
10 **the Communications Division - qualification**
11 **requirements - effective date -**

emergency]

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-105, as
15 amended by Section 161, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (47 O.S. Supp.
16 2013, Section 2-105), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 2-105. A. The Commissioner of Public Safety, subject
18 to the Oklahoma Personnel Act, shall appoint:

19 1. A Chief of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division with the
20 rank of Colonel, Deputy Chiefs of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol
21 Division with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and subordinate
22 officers and employees of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division,
23 including Majors, Captains, Lieutenants, and Highway Patrolmen with
24 the rank of Trooper, who shall comprise the Oklahoma Highway Patrol

1 Division of the Department of Public Safety; provided, any officer
2 appointed to a commissioned position prescribed in this paragraph
3 which is unclassified pursuant to Section 840-5.5 of Title 74 of the
4 Oklahoma Statutes shall have a right of return to the highest
5 previously held classified commissioned position within the Highway
6 Patrol Division of the Department of Public Safety without any loss
7 of rights, privileges or benefits immediately upon completion of the
8 duties in the unclassified commissioned position;

9 2. A Captain, Lieutenants, and Patrolmen who shall comprise the
10 Marine Enforcement Section of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division
11 of the Department of Public Safety;

12 3. A Captain, Lieutenants, and Patrolmen, who shall comprise
13 the Capitol Patrol Section of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division
14 of the Department of Public Safety; and

15 4. ~~A Director of the Communications Division with the rank of~~
16 ~~Captain,~~ Communications Coordinators ~~with the rank of First~~
17 ~~Lieutenant,~~ Communications Superintendents ~~with the rank of Second~~
18 ~~Lieutenant,~~ Communications Supervisors ~~with the rank of Sergeant,~~
19 Communications Dispatchers, Radio Technicians and Tower Maintenance
20 Officers ~~who~~ shall comprise the Communications Division of the
21 Department of Public Safety.

22 B. 1. The Commissioner, when appointing commissioned officers
23 and employees to the positions set out in subsection A of this
24 section, shall determine, in consultation with the Director of the

1 Office of Management and Enterprise Services, minimum qualifications
2 and shall select such officers and employees only after examinations
3 to determine their physical and mental qualifications for such
4 positions. The content of the examinations shall be prescribed by
5 the Commissioner, and all such appointees shall satisfactorily
6 complete a course of training in operations and procedures as
7 prescribed by the Commissioner.

8 2. No person shall be appointed to any position set out in
9 subsection A of this section unless the person is a citizen of the
10 United States of America, of good moral character, and:

11 a. for commissioned officer positions, shall be at least
12 ~~twenty-three (23)~~ twenty-one (21) years of age but
13 less than forty-six (46) years of age, and shall
14 possess:

15 (1) an associate's degree or a minimum of sixty-two
16 (62) successfully completed semester hours from a
17 an accredited college or university ~~which is~~
18 ~~recognized by and accepted by the American~~
19 ~~Association of Collegiate Registrars and~~
20 ~~Admissions Officers~~ as denoted in the Database of
21 Accredited Post-Secondary Institutions and
22 Programs provided by the U.S. Department of
23 Education and whose hours are transferable
24 between such recognized institutions, ~~and~~

1 (2) ~~for any person appointed to the Oklahoma Highway~~
2 ~~Patrol Division on or after July 1, 2014:~~

3 ~~(a) a bachelor's degree from a college or~~
4 ~~university which is recognized by and~~
5 ~~accepted by the American Association of~~
6 ~~Collegiate Registrars and Admissions~~
7 ~~Officers and whose hours are transferable~~
8 ~~between such recognized institutions, or~~

9 ~~(b) an associate's degree or a minimum of sixty~~
10 ~~two (62) successfully completed semester~~
11 ~~hours from a college or university which is~~
12 ~~recognized by and accepted by the American~~
13 ~~Association of Collegiate Registrars and~~
14 ~~Admissions Officers and whose hours are~~
15 ~~transferable between such recognized~~
16 ~~institutions, and:~~

17 ~~i. at least two (2) years' experience as a~~
18 ~~law enforcement officer certified by~~
19 ~~the Council on Law Enforcement~~
20 ~~Education and Training (C.L.E.E.T.) or~~
21 ~~by the equivalent state agency in~~
22 ~~another state or by any law enforcement~~
23 ~~agency of the federal government, or~~

1 ~~ii. at least two (2) years of honorable~~
2 ~~military service in an active or~~
3 ~~reserve component of the United States~~
4 ~~Armed Forces.~~

5 ~~Provided, such years of experience or service shall~~
6 ~~have been consecutive and shall have been completed no~~
7 ~~more than two (2) years prior to application for~~
8 ~~appointment, or~~

9 shall have successfully completed thirty (30) semester
10 hours from an accredited college or university as
11 denoted in the Database of Accredited Post-Secondary
12 Institutions and Programs provided by the U.S.

13 Department of Education and whose hours are
14 transferable between such recognized institutions and
15 have received an honorable discharge after three (3)
16 years of active military or reserve military service,
17 or

18 (3) shall have successfully completed **thirty-two (32)**
19 semester hours from an accredited college or
20 university as denoted in the Database of
21 Accredited Post-Secondary Institutions and
22 Programs provided by the U.S. Department of
23 Education and whose hours are transferable
24 between such recognized institutions, and

1 received an honorable discharge in any active
2 military or reserve military service;

3 b. ~~for~~ applicants with prior military service shall
4 receive up to ten (10) semester hours for each year of
5 honorable service in any active military or reserve
6 military service up to a maximum of three (3) years or
7 thirty (30) semester hours, and

8 c. any such position in the Communications Division, a
9 person shall be at least twenty (20) years of age and
10 shall possess a high school diploma or General
11 Educational Development equivalency certificate; shall
12 possess either six (6) months of previous experience
13 as a dispatcher or fifteen (15) successfully completed
14 semester hours from ~~a~~ an accredited college or
15 university ~~which is recognized by and accepted by the~~
16 ~~American Association of Collegiate Registrars and~~
17 ~~Admissions Officers~~ as denoted in the Database of
18 Accredited Post-Secondary Institutions and Programs
19 provided by the U.S. Department of Education and whose
20 hours are transferable between such recognized
21 institutions.

22 3. No commissioned officer of the Department shall, while in
23 such position, be a candidate for any political office or take part
24 in or contribute any money or other thing of value, directly or

1 indirectly, to any political campaign or to any candidate for public
2 office. Anyone convicted of violating the provisions of this
3 paragraph shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished as
4 provided by law.

5 4. The Commissioner or any employee of the Department shall not
6 be a candidate for any political office, or in any way be active or
7 participate in any political contest of any Primary, General, or
8 Special Election, except to cast a ballot. No commissioned officer
9 of the Department, while in the performance of the officer's
10 assigned duty of providing security and protection, shall be
11 considered as participating in a political campaign. The provisions
12 of this paragraph shall not be construed to preclude a commissioned
13 officer of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division of the Department of
14 Public Safety from being a candidate for a position on a local board
15 of education.

16 5. Drunkenness or being under the influence of intoxicating
17 substances shall be sufficient grounds for the removal of any
18 commissioned officer of the Department, in and by the manner
19 provided for in this section.

20 C. 1. Upon initial appointment to the position of Cadet
21 Highway Patrolman or Probationary Communications Dispatcher, the
22 appointed employee shall be required to serve an initial
23 probationary period of twelve (12) months. The Commissioner may
24 extend the probationary period for up to three (3) additional months

1 provided that the employee and the Office of Management and
2 Enterprise Services are notified in writing as to such action and
3 the reasons ~~therefor~~ thereof. During such probationary period, the
4 employee may be terminated at any time and for any reason at the
5 discretion of the Commissioner. Retention in the service after
6 expiration of the initial probationary period shall entitle such
7 employee to be classified as a permanent employee and the employee
8 shall be so classified. No permanent employee may be discharged or
9 removed except as provided for in this section.

10 2. A commissioned officer of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol
11 Division may be promoted during the initial probationary period if
12 such officer satisfactorily completes all training requirements
13 prescribed by the Commissioner.

14 D. 1. No permanent employee, as provided for in this section,
15 who is a commissioned officer of the Department, may be suspended
16 without pay or dismissed unless the employee has been notified in
17 writing by the Commissioner of such intended action and the reasons
18 ~~therefor~~ thereof. No such notice shall be given by the Commissioner
19 unless sworn charges or statements have been obtained to justify the
20 action.

21 2. Whenever such charges are preferred, the Commissioner may
22 suspend the accused pending the hearing and final determination of
23 such charges. If the charges are not sustained in whole or in part,
24 the accused shall be entitled to pay during the period of such

1 suspension. If the charges are sustained in whole or in part, the
2 accused shall not receive any pay for the period of such suspension.

3 3. Commissioned officers of the Department of Public Safety are
4 not entitled to appeal intra-agency transfer to the Oklahoma Merit
5 Protection Commission pursuant to the Oklahoma Personnel Act unless
6 transfer is in violation of Section 840-2.5 or 840-2.9 of Title 74
7 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

8 4. The Department of Public Safety shall follow the uniform
9 grievance procedure established and adopted by the Office of
10 Management and Enterprise Services for permanent classified
11 employees, except for those employees who are commissioned officers
12 of the Department. The Department of Public Safety shall establish
13 and adopt a proprietary grievance procedure for commissioned
14 officers of the Department which is otherwise in compliance with the
15 provisions of Section 840-6.2 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

16 E. 1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to purchase and
17 issue uniforms and necessary equipment for all commissioned officers
18 of the Highway Patrol Division of the Department. All uniforms and
19 equipment shall be used only in the performance of the official
20 duties of such officers and shall remain the property of the
21 Department, except as provided in Section 2-150 of this title.

22 2. Each commissioned officer of the Highway Patrol Division of
23 the Department of Public Safety shall be entitled to reimbursement
24 of expenses pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act while

1 away from the assigned area of the officer as designated by the
2 Chief of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division, when such expense is
3 incurred in the service of the state.

4 F. 1. The positions with the rank of Colonel and Lieutenant
5 Colonel of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division shall be filled from
6 the body of commissioned officers of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol
7 Division and appointment to said position shall be based on
8 qualifications, previous record as a commissioned officer of the
9 Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division, length of service, years of
10 experience within the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division or other
11 service as prescribed in this subsection, and efficiency of service
12 performed.

13 2. In addition to the requirements of paragraph 1 of this
14 subsection, the position of Chief of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol
15 Division shall be based on one of the following:

16 a. one (1) year of experience in any combination:

- 17 (1) as Commissioner of Public Safety,
18 (2) as Assistant Commissioner of Public Safety, or
19 (3) as Assistant Chief,

20 b. two (2) years of experience in any combination:

- 21 (1) as Deputy Chief or higher rank, or
22 (2) if the experience was prior to ~~the effective date~~
23 ~~of this act~~ April 21, 2006, as Major or higher
24 rank,

- 1 c. four (4) years of experience in any combination:
- 2 (1) as Major or higher rank, or
- 3 (2) if the experience was prior to ~~the effective date~~
- 4 ~~of this act~~ April 21, 2006, as Captain or higher
- 5 rank, or
- 6 d. six (6) years of experience in any combination:
- 7 (1) as Captain or higher rank, or
- 8 (2) if the experience was prior to ~~the effective date~~
- 9 ~~of this act~~ April 21, 2006, as First Lieutenant
- 10 or higher rank.

11 3. In addition to the requirements of paragraph 1 of this

12 subsection, the position of Deputy Chief of the Oklahoma Highway

13 Patrol Division shall be based on one of the following:

- 14 a. one (1) year of experience in any combination:
- 15 (1) as Commissioner of Public Safety,
- 16 (2) as Assistant Commissioner of Public Safety, or
- 17 (3) as Colonel,
- 18 b. two (2) years of experience in any combination:
- 19 (1) as Major or higher rank, or
- 20 (2) if the experience was prior to ~~the effective date~~
- 21 ~~of this act~~ April 21, 2006, as Captain or higher
- 22 rank, or
- 23 c. four (4) years of experience in any combination:
- 24 (1) as Captain or higher rank, or

1 (2) if the experience was prior to ~~the effective date~~
2 ~~of this act~~ April 21, 2006, as Highway Patrol
3 First Lieutenant or higher rank.

4 G. The Commissioner of Public Safety is hereby authorized to
5 send employees of the Department of Public Safety to schools such as
6 Northwestern University Center for Public Safety, Southern Police
7 Institute, the FBI National Academy, the Institute of Police
8 Technology and Management, or to any other schools of similar
9 training which would be conducive to improving the efficiency of the
10 Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division and the Department of Public
11 Safety. While an employee is attending a school, the Commissioner
12 is authorized to permit the employee to use a state-owned vehicle
13 and to use a fuel-purchasing card for any expenses related to the
14 operation of the vehicle. In addition, while an employee is
15 attending the FBI National Academy, a one-time expense allowance of
16 Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for uniforms, fees, travel, room
17 and board, and other related expenses shall be paid to the employee
18 by the Department; provided, the employee shall not be further
19 compensated through the State Travel Reimbursement Act, and, if any
20 other agency reimburses the employee for any expenses, the
21 reimbursement shall be given to the Department. All purchases made
22 by the employee with the expense allowance shall be considered
23 property of the employee.

1 H. 1. Any former commissioned officer of the Department whose
2 separation from the Department was at such officer's own request and
3 not a result of such officer's own actions contrary to the policy of
4 the Department or was not as a result of the retirement of that
5 officer from the Department may make application for reinstatement
6 as a commissioned officer of the division or section of the
7 Department in which such officer was previously employed, provided
8 such reinstated officer will be able to complete twenty (20) years
9 of credited service by the time the reinstated officer reaches
10 sixty-two (62) years of age. The Commissioner may waive the
11 requirements of possessing the number of semester hours or degree as
12 required in subsection B of this section for any former commissioned
13 officer making application for reinstatement as a commissioned
14 officer of the Department. The Commissioner may require the
15 applicant for reinstatement to attend selected courses of
16 instruction, as prescribed by the Commissioner.

17 2. In the event of future hostilities wherein the Congress of
18 the United States declares this nation in a state of war with a
19 foreign nation, including military service brought about by the
20 Vietnam War, any period of military service served by a commissioned
21 officer of the Department shall be considered as continued service
22 with such Department, provided such commissioned officer returns to
23 duty with the Department within sixty (60) days after release from
24 military service.

1 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 2-117, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 2-117. A. The Commissioner of Public Safety and each
4 officer of the Department of Public Safety, as designated and
5 commissioned by the Commissioner, are hereby declared to be peace
6 officers of the State of Oklahoma and shall be so deemed and taken
7 in all courts having jurisdiction of offenses against the laws of
8 the state. Such officers shall have the powers and authority now
9 and hereafter vested by law in other peace officers, including the
10 right and power of search and seizure, except the serving or
11 execution of civil process, and the right and power to investigate
12 and prevent crime and to enforce the criminal laws of this state.

13 B. ~~The~~ In addition to the powers and authority prescribed in
14 subsection A of this section, the officers of the Department shall
15 have the following authority, responsibilities, powers and duties:

16 1. To enforce the provisions of this title and any other law
17 regulating the operation of vehicles or the use of the highways,
18 including, but not limited to, the Motor Carriers Act of this state,
19 or any other laws of this state by the direction of the Governor;

20 2. To arrest without writ, rule, order or process any person
21 detected by them in the act of violating any law of the state;

22 3. When the officer is in pursuit of a violator or suspected
23 violator and is unable to arrest such violator or suspected violator
24 within the limits of the jurisdiction of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol

1 Division, to continue in pursuit of such violator or suspected
2 violator into whatever part of the state may be reasonably necessary
3 to effect the apprehension and arrest of the same, and to arrest
4 such violator or suspected violator wherever the violator may be
5 overtaken;

6 4. To assist in the location of stolen property, including
7 livestock and poultry or the carcasses thereof, and to make any
8 inspection necessary of any truck, trailer or contents thereof in
9 connection therewith;

10 5. At all times to direct all traffic in conformance with law
11 and, in the event of a fire, or other emergency, or to expedite
12 traffic, or to insure safety, to direct traffic as conditions may
13 require, notwithstanding the provisions of law;

14 6. To require satisfactory proof of ownership of the contents
15 of any motor vehicle, including livestock, poultry or the carcasses
16 thereof. In the event that the proof of ownership is not
17 satisfactory, it shall be the duty of the officer to take the motor
18 vehicle, driver, and the contents of the motor vehicle into custody
19 and deliver the same to the sheriff of the county wherein the cargo,
20 motor vehicle and driver are taken into custody;

21 7. When on duty, upon reasonable belief that any vehicle is
22 being operated in violation of any provisions of this title, or any
23 other law regulating the operation of vehicles, to require the
24 driver thereof to stop and exhibit his or her driver license and the

1 certificate of registration issued for the vehicle, if required to
2 be carried in the vehicle pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection A of
3 Section 1113 of this title, and submit to an inspection of such
4 vehicle, the license plates and certificate of registration thereon,
5 if applicable, or to any inspection and test of the equipment of
6 such vehicle;

7 8. To inspect any vehicle of a type required to be registered
8 hereunder in any public garage or repair shop or in any place where
9 such vehicles are held for sale or wrecking, for the purpose of
10 locating stolen vehicles and investigating the title and
11 registration thereof;

12 9. To serve all warrants relating to the enforcement of the
13 laws regulating the operation of vehicles or the use of the highways
14 and bench warrants issued for nonpayment of fines and costs for
15 moving traffic violations;

16 10. To investigate and report traffic collisions on all
17 interstate and defense highways and on all highways outside of
18 incorporated municipalities, and may investigate traffic collisions
19 within any incorporated municipality upon request of the local law
20 enforcement agency, and to secure testimony of witnesses or of
21 persons involved;

22 11. To investigate reported thefts of motor vehicles, trailers
23 and semitrailers;

1 12. To stop and inspect any motor vehicle or trailer for such
2 mechanical tests as may be prescribed by the Commissioner to
3 determine the roadworthiness of the vehicle. Any vehicle which may
4 be found to be unsafe for use on the highways may be ordered removed
5 from said highway until such alterations or repairs have been made
6 that will render said vehicle serviceable for use on the highway;

7 13. To stop and inspect the contents of all motor vehicles to
8 ascertain whether or not the provisions of all general laws are
9 being observed;

10 14. To enforce the laws of the state relating to the
11 registration and licensing of motor vehicles;

12 15. To enforce the laws relating to the operation and use of
13 vehicles on the highway;

14 16. To enforce and prevent, on the roads of the state highway
15 system, the violation of the laws relating to the size, weight, and
16 speed of commercial motor vehicles and all laws designed for the
17 protection of the highway pavements and structures on such highways;

18 17. To investigate and report to the Corporation Commission and
19 the Oklahoma Tax Commission violation of their rules and the laws
20 governing the transportation of persons and property by motor
21 transportation companies and all other motor carriers for hire;

22 18. To investigate and report violations of all laws relating
23 to the collection of excise taxes on motor vehicle fuels;

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1 19. To regulate the movement of traffic on the roads of the
2 state highway system;

3 20. Whenever possible, to determine persons causing or
4 responsible for the breaking, damaging, or destruction of any
5 improved surfaced roadway, structure, sign, marker, guardrail, or
6 any other appurtenance constructed or maintained by the Department
7 of Transportation, and to arrest persons responsible ~~therefor~~
8 thereof and to bring them before the proper officials for
9 prosecution;

10 21. To investigate incidents involving an employee of the
11 Department, when such incidents are related to the performance of
12 the duties of the employee; and

13 22. To initiate or assist in manhunts and fugitive
14 apprehensions.

15 C. Whenever any person is arrested by a patrol officer for a
16 traffic violation the provisions of Sections 16-101 through 16-114
17 of this title shall apply.

18 D. 1. Except as provided in this subsection, the powers and
19 duties conferred on the Commissioner and officers of the Department
20 of Public Safety shall not limit the powers and duties of sheriffs
21 or other peace officers of the state or any political subdivision of
22 the state.

23 2. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division shall have primary law
24 enforcement authority respecting traffic-related offenses upon the

1 National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and may have
2 special law enforcement authority on those portions of the federal-
3 aid primary highways and the state highway system which are located
4 within the boundaries and on the outskirts of a municipality, and
5 designated by the Commissioner of Public Safety for such special law
6 enforcement authority. As used in this subsection "outskirts of a
7 municipality" means and shall be determined by presence of the
8 following factors:

- 9 a. low land use density,
- 10 b. absence of any school or residential subdivision
11 requiring direct ingress or egress from the highway,
12 and
- 13 c. a scarcity of retail or commercial business abutting
14 the highway.

15 3. The Commissioner may designate any portion of the National
16 System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and those portions of the
17 federal-aid primary highways and the state highway system which are
18 located within the boundaries of and on the outskirts of a
19 municipality for special traffic-related enforcement by the Oklahoma
20 Highway Patrol Division and issue a written notice to any other law
21 enforcement agency affected thereby. Upon receipt of such notice,
22 the affected law enforcement agency shall not regulate traffic nor
23 enforce traffic-related statutes or ordinances upon such designated
24 portion of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways or

1 such designated portions of the federal-aid primary highways and the
2 state highway system without prior coordination and written approval
3 of the Commissioner.

4 E. 1. Any of the following persons may request the
5 Commissioner to investigate the traffic-related enforcement
6 practices of a municipal law enforcement agency whose jurisdiction
7 includes portions of the federal-aid primary highways, the state
8 highway system, or both located within the boundaries of and on the
9 outskirts of the municipality:

- 10 a. the district attorney in whose jurisdiction the
11 municipality is located,
- 12 b. a majority of the county commissioners, by resolution,
13 of the county in which the municipality is located,
- 14 c. the State Auditor and Inspector,
- 15 d. the State Attorney General, or
- 16 e. a state legislator in whose district the municipality
17 is located.

18 2. The request shall state that the requesting party believes
19 the enforcement practices are being conducted:

- 20 a. within the boundaries of and on the outskirts of the
21 municipality, and
- 22 b. for the purpose of generating more than fifty percent
23 (50%) of the revenue needed for the operation of the
24 municipality.

1 3. Upon receipt of a request pursuant to this subsection, the
2 Commissioner may investigate the traffic-related enforcement
3 practices of the municipal law enforcement agency and the receipts
4 and expenditures of the municipality. The law enforcement agency,
5 the municipality, and the requesting party shall cooperate fully
6 with the Commissioner in such an investigation. Upon the completion
7 of the investigation, the Commissioner shall submit a report of the
8 results of the investigation to the Attorney General, who shall make
9 a determination within sixty (60) days of receipt of the report as
10 to whether the enforcement practices of the municipal law
11 enforcement agency are being conducted as provided in subparagraphs
12 a and b of paragraph 2 of this subsection. Upon a determination
13 that the enforcement practices are not being conducted in such a
14 manner, the Attorney General shall notify the Commissioner in
15 writing, and the Commissioner shall take no action to make a
16 designation as provided in paragraph 3 of subsection D of this
17 section. Upon a determination that the enforcement practices are
18 being conducted as provided in subparagraphs a and b of paragraph 2
19 of this subsection, the Attorney General shall notify the
20 Commissioner in writing, and the Commissioner shall make the
21 designation of special traffic-related enforcement as provided in
22 paragraph 3 of subsection D of this section, which shall stay in
23 force for such time as determined by the Commissioner. The
24 Department of Public Safety shall adopt rules to uniformly implement

1 the procedures for initiating, investigating and reporting to the
2 Attorney General the results of a request under the provisions of
3 this subsection and the criteria for determining the length of time
4 the designation of special traffic-related enforcement shall be in
5 force.

6 F. Nothing in this section shall limit a member of the Oklahoma
7 Highway Patrol Division from requesting assistance from any other
8 law enforcement agency nor limit officers of such agency from
9 rendering the requested assistance. The officer and the law
10 enforcement agency responding to the request of the member of the
11 Oklahoma Highway Patrol Division or sheriff's department shall have
12 the same rights and immunities as are possessed by the Oklahoma
13 Highway Patrol Division.

14 G. No state official shall have any power, right, or authority
15 to command, order, or direct any commissioned law enforcement
16 officer of the Department of Public Safety to perform any duty or
17 service contrary to the provisions of this title or any other laws
18 of this state.

19 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2014.

20 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
21 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
22 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
23 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
February 26, 2014 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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