

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

4 HOUSE BILL 1879

By: Christian, Jordan and
O'Donnell of the House

5 and

6 Sykes of the Senate

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 An Act relating to criminal procedure; amending 22
11 O.S. 2011, Section 1014, which relates to the manner
12 of inflicting punishment of death; providing
13 alternative method for inflicting punishment of
14 death; and providing an effective date.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 1014, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1014. A. The punishment of death shall be carried out
19 by the administration of a lethal quantity of a drug or drugs until
20 death is pronounced by a licensed physician according to accepted
21 standards of medical practice.

22 B. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in
23 subsection A of this section is held unconstitutional by an
24 appellate court of competent jurisdiction or is otherwise

1 unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be carried out by
2 nitrogen hypoxia.

3 C. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in
4 ~~subsection~~ subsections A and B of this section is held
5 unconstitutional by an appellate court of competent jurisdiction or
6 is otherwise unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be
7 carried out by electrocution.

8 ~~C.~~ D. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in
9 subsections A ~~and~~, B and C of this section is held unconstitutional
10 by an appellate court of competent jurisdiction or is otherwise
11 unavailable, then the sentence of death shall be carried out by
12 firing squad.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND CIVIL PROCEDURE,
16 dated 02/11/2015 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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