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March 24, 2015

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1879

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

and

Sykes of the Senate

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

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

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

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

B. If the execution of the sentence of death as provided in
subsection A of this section is held unconstitutional by an
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.

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
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