STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 315 By: Holt

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to absentee ballots; amending 26 O.S. 2011, Sections 14-103 and 14-105, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 200, O.S.L. 2013 (26 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 14-105), which relate to requesting absentee ballots; providing exception; providing for validity of absentee ballot application for certain period; providing for forms; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103, is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-103. Absentee ballots must be requested no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday preceding an election, except as provided in Section 14-105 of this title.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 14-105, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 200, O.S.L. 2013 (26 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 14-105), is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-105. Any registered voter may apply for an absentee ballot in person at the county election board, by United States mail, by telegraph, by facsimile device as defined in Section 1862

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of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes or by a means of electronic communication designated by the Secretary of the State Election

Board. The application shall state if it is for a single election,
a calendar year or for all future elections in which the voter is
eligible to vote. If an application for absentee ballots in all
future elections in which the voter is eligible to vote is approved,
the application shall be considered valid until the voter cancels
the application or ceases to be a registered voter or a ballot is
returned as undeliverable by the United States Postal Service. The
Secretary of the State Election Board shall prescribe a forms
to be used for the application and for cancellation of a previous
application, although any application or cancellation setting forth
substantially the same facts shall be valid.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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