

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1862

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An Act relating to the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority; amending Section 2, Chapter 261, O.S.L. 1982, which relates to legislative intent; expanding legislative intent; amending 70 O.S. 2011, Section 23-106.1, which relates to the Executive Director; modifying appointment criteria; providing for compensation; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 261, O.S.L. 1982, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2. It is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority seek ways to encourage contributions by private individuals, companies, foundations, corporations and others in the private and public sectors by cooperating with a public, nonprofit foundation. Such foundation would operate for the exclusive purpose of receiving, investing and expending privately donated nonstate appropriated funds for educational and eleemosynary purposes related to the support,

1 promotion, development and growth of educational and public
2 broadcasting in Oklahoma. In addition, if authorized by the
3 Authority, personnel from a foundation described in this section
4 could carry out duties of the Authority. The Oklahoma Educational
5 Television Authority shall make a full report annually on the
6 activities of the nonprofit foundation to the Governor and the
7 Legislature.

8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 23-106.1, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 23-106.1 The chief executive officer of the Oklahoma
11 Educational Television Authority shall be the Executive Director,
12 who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the
13 Authority. The Executive Director shall be appointed solely on the
14 basis of his or her qualifications to administer and direct the
15 affairs of the Oklahoma Educational Television Network. The
16 Authority shall fix the salary of the Executive Director. Provided
17 however, the Authority may appoint the chief executive officer of a
18 foundation described in Section 2, Chapter 261, O.S.L. 1982, to
19 serve concurrently as the Executive Director of the Authority and
20 chief executive officer of the foundation, in which case the
21 Executive Director shall be compensated solely by the foundation.

22 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
23 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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