1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 3 HOUSE BILL NO. 2624 4 By: West (Kevin) 5 6 7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE An Act relating to public health and safety; defining 8 term; requiring health care facility to grant 9 religious exemption to employees who object to immunization; providing for codification; and 10 providing an effective date. 11 12 1.3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 14 A new section of law to be codified SECTION 1. NEW LAW 15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-725 of Title 63, unless there 16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: 17 As used in this act, "health care facility" means any public or 18 private organization, corporation, authority, partnership, sole 19 proprietorship, association, agency, network, joint venture or other 20 entity that is involved in providing health care services including 21 a hospital, clinic, medical center, ambulatory surgical center, 22 private physician's office, pharmacy, nursing home, university 23 hospital, medical school, nursing school, medical training facility, 24

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inpatient health care facility or other place where health care
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    services are provided.
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        SECTION 2.
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    in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-726 of Title 63, unless there
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    is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
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        A health care facility that requires immunizations shall be
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    required to grant a religious exemption to any employee who objects
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    to an immunization upon the grounds that it conflicts with the
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    employee's bona fide religious beliefs and practices.
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        SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.
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