

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1327

By: Brown of the Senate

3 and

4 Roberts (Sean) of the House

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6 An Act relating to counties and county officers;
7 providing that a county clerk may employ outside
8 counsel to provide immediate representation;
9 providing for contract approval by the Board of
County Commissioners; providing terms of
compensation; providing for codification; and
declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 271 of Title 19, unless there is
15 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 The county clerk in a county shall have the authority to employ
17 a general counsel through an outside law firm, to advise or
18 represent the county clerk and his or her office in the performance
19 of the official duties of that office. The Board of County
20 Commissioners shall approve all contracts for outside counsel. A
21 general counsel employed pursuant to this section shall be
22 compensated from the funds of the employing county office.

23 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

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.

3 Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2018.

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6 Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
8 2018.

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