## An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 2247

By: Brumbaugh and Wright of the House

and

Sykes of the Senate

An Act relating to guardian and ward; authorizing initiation of guardianship proceedings for incapacitated minors approaching adulthood; authorizing the court to accept a copy of a professional evaluation in lieu of ordering additional evaluations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Guardianship proceedings

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-102.1 of Title 30, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any person interested in the welfare of a minor, where the minor is at least seventeen (17) years and six (6) months of age and believed to be an incapacitated person or partially incapacitated person, may initiate guardianship proceedings, file a petition pursuant to Section 3-101 of Title 30 of the Oklahoma Statutes and request that any guardianship order take effect immediately on the minor's eighteenth birthday.

B. The petitioner may provide with the petition a copy of the results of an evaluation of the minor by a physician, psychologist or other appropriate professional evaluation that meets the requirements of subsection C of Section 3-101 of Title 30 of the Oklahoma Statutes. If the evaluation was conducted within sixty

(60) days prior to the filing of the petition, the petitioner may ask in the petition that the court accept this report in lieu of ordering any additional evaluation pursuant to Section 3-108 of Title 30 of the Oklahoma Statues, and the court may grant the request.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

Passed the House of Representatives the 22nd day of March, 2017.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 25th day of April, 2017.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

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