

FLOOR AMENDMENT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2876

			Of the printed Bill
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			Of the Engrossed Bill
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Page 1, Section 1, Line 20: By deleting the phrase "601 of Title 75" and inserting in lieu thereof, the following: "455.1 of Title 74";

Page 2, Section, Line 2: By deleting the phrase "602 of Title 75" and inserting in lieu thereof, the following: "455.2 of Title 74";

By deleting after the word "the" the phrase "Rules and Regulations Review Act of 2018" and inserting in lieu thereof, the following language:
"Office of Accountability Act of 2018";

Pages 2-3, Section 2, Line 4: By deleting all language beginning with the word "the" on Line 4 through the period "." on Page 3, Line 4 and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

"within the Legislative Service Bureau the Office of Accountability.

B. The purpose of the Office of Accountability shall be to:

1. Assist the Legislature in performing its constitutional and statutory function of ensuring government funds are expended in a fiscally responsible manner; and
2. Assist the Legislature in reviewing rules and regulations currently filed or proposed in the Oklahoma Administrative Code to ensure sound regulatory oversight.

C. The Office of Accountability shall consist of fifteen (15) persons each of whom shall be employed pursuant to the mutual agreement of the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate. The positions for the Office of Accountability shall be initially filled not later than ninety (90) days after the effective date of this act.

D. The Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate shall select one of the persons

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: John Montgomery

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

described by subsection C of this section to serve as the Director of the Office of Accountability.

E. The Office of Accountability shall:

1. Gather information regarding the proposed budgets of executive branch agencies each fiscal year;
2. Analyze the information and evaluate the extent to which the agency budget does or does not fulfill the agency's primary duties and responsibilities under applicable provisions of federal, state or other law;
3. Analyze and forecast all revenues available to the agency from appropriations, fees, dedicated revenue or any other source;
4. Compare the agency budget information to the comparable information contained in that agency's budget requests from prior fiscal years;
5. Conduct such investigations regarding the operations of the agency as required in order to fulfill the duties imposed upon the Office of Accountability by law;
6. Make such reports to the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate, the chairs of the standing committees of both chambers to which appropriation measures are ordinarily assigned or to the chairs of any joint committee on appropriations and budget established pursuant to joint rules adopted by both chambers as may be required;
7. Perform such other duties related to the evaluation of the annual budget process and the adherence of executive branch agencies to the requirements imposed by the Oklahoma Constitution, Oklahoma Statutes and applicable provisions of legislative measures enacted as part of the annual budget writing process;
8. Conduct independent reviews of rules and regulations currently filed in the Oklahoma Administrative Code upon request by a member of the Oklahoma Legislature to evaluate the extent to which a rule or regulation is consistent with legislative intent, is implemented in accordance with the best policy-making practices for government services, and is administered in the most cost-effective way;
9. Conduct independent reviews of rules and regulations currently proposed in the Oklahoma Administrative Code to evaluate the extent to which proposed rules or regulations are consistent with legislative intent, are designed to be implemented in accordance with the best policy-making practices for government services, and are administered in the most cost-effective way; and
10. Perform such other duties as may be mutually assigned by agreement of both the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate.

F. Compensation for all persons selected to serve within the Office of Accountability shall be determined pursuant to joint agreement by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate.

(continued below)

G. The persons selected to serve within the Office of Accountability shall serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate and may be dismissed pursuant to mutual action by both such legislative officers.

H. Agencies, boards and commissions shall comply with all requests from the Office of Accountability.”;

Page 3, Section 3, Lines 8-20: By deleting Section 3 in its entirety; and
By renumbering the subsequent section of the bill.