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1 at the pleasure of the Lieutenant Governor. Whenever a vacancy on
2 the Commission occurs by death, resignation, or otherwise, the
3 Lieutenant Governor shall fill the same by appointment, with the
4 advice and consent of the Senate, and the appointee shall hold
5 office during the unexpired term. Each member shall hold office
6 until a successor has been appointed and qualified. Five members of
7 the Commission shall constitute a quorum, and the vote of the
8 majority of members present shall be necessary for any action to be
9 taken by the Commission. No vacancy in the membership of the
10 Commission shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise and
11 perform all the rights and duties of the Commission.

12 D. With the exception of the ex officio, no member of the
13 Commission shall seek election to a federal, state, or county office
14 while serving on the Commission.

15 E. Each member of the Commission, before serving on the
16 Commission, shall take and subscribe to the constitutional and
17 statutory oaths of office and file ~~said~~ the oaths with the Secretary
18 of State. Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed for travel
19 expenses to Commission meetings as provided in the State Travel
20 Reimbursement Act of the Oklahoma Statutes.

21 F. The Commission shall be organized by the Lieutenant Governor
22 who shall appoint from the Commission the Chair, the Vice Chair, and
23 the Secretary. The Commission is authorized and directed to adopt
24 rules pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures

1 Act to execute the powers and duties of the Commission and
2 Department.

3 G. The Commission may meet monthly and shall meet at least
4 quarterly. The Commission may meet at such other times as it deems
5 necessary for effectively performing its duties and
6 responsibilities. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by
7 any three members of the Commission. The meetings of the Commission
8 shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

9 H. The Commission is hereby declared to be a governmental
10 agency and instrumentality of the State of Oklahoma with authority
11 to exercise, in addition to those it now has, the rights, privileges
12 and functions hereinafter specified.

13 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 2206, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 2206. The chief executive officer of the Department
16 shall be the Executive Director, who shall be appointed by the
17 ~~Commission~~ Lieutenant Governor and who shall serve at the pleasure
18 of ~~said Commission~~ the Lieutenant Governor. The Executive Director
19 shall be chosen with regard to knowledge, training, experience, and
20 ability to administer the functions of the Department. The
21 Commission shall establish the salary of the Executive Director.

22 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM
24 March 1, 2018 - DO PASS AS AMENDED