

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

SENATE BILL 1861

By: Daniels

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Judicial Nominating Commission; modifying appointing authority for certain commissioners; specifying requirements for certain commissioners; providing for filling of certain vacancies; terminating certain terms; directing certain appointments; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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 1671 of Title 20, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As authorized pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection A of Section 3 of Article VII-B of the Oklahoma Constitution, three attorney members of the Judicial Nominating Commission shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and three attorney members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The six attorney members of the Judicial Nominating Commission shall be licensed to practice law in this state and shall include at least one appointee from each

1 congressional district. Vacancies of any attorney commissioner  
2 shall be filled by the original appointing authority under this  
3 section.

4 B. On the effective date of this act, all appointed attorney  
5 member positions of the current Judicial Nominating Commission shall  
6 be deemed vacant and the terms of such members serving on the  
7 Commission shall be deemed terminated. The President Pro Tempore of  
8 the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall  
9 make initial appointments for attorney members of the Commission  
10 pursuant to subsection A of this section within thirty (30) days of  
11 the effective date of this act.

12 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
13 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
14 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
15 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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