**Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Bill Analysis**

SB 135 exempts the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs from the provisions of The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. Additionally, the measure authorizes the Department to give preference to businesses when purchasing services or property. The business must be owned by an honorably discharged veteran or held by a majority ownership of honorably discharged veterans at the time the contract is awarded. The entity given preferential treatment must also be registered with the federally managed System for Award Management.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

FY'20 Impact: Possible Cost

Full Year Impact: Possible Cost

SB 135 will exempt ODVA from The Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act. It also allows ODVA to grant a preference for property or funds if an entity has 51% ownership by an honorably discharged veteran. There is a possible cost if ODVA grants the preference to a veteran owned entity over a lower bid from a non-veteran owned entity.