

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

3 SENATE BILL 1447

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to circulation of petition; creating
8 the Access to Petition Act; providing short title;
9 prohibiting denial of access to certain public areas
10 for specified purposes; establishing conditions for
11 certain access; providing for codification; and
12 providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 28 of Title 34, unless there is
16 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Access to
18 Petition Act".

19 B. No individual shall be denied access to any public retail
20 business location that is located within one hundred (100) feet of a
21 public street or public walkway for the purposes of informing the
22 public or gathering signatures for any properly formatted and
23 certified federal, state or municipal government petition. Such
24 right is subject to the following conditions:

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1. Access shall be allowed only to individuals who have in their possession a properly formatted and certified petition packet;

2. Access shall be allowed no closer than twenty (20) feet from any public entrance available to the public during normal business hours;

3. Accompanying banners and signs shall not exceed 11x17 inches in dimension. Nothing shall be affixed to the business structure; and

4. Two folding chairs and one folding table shall be permitted as long as such items are not prohibited for safety reasons.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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