

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1333

By: Simpson of the Senate

3 and

4 Hardin (Tommy) of the House

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6 An Act relating to cemeteries and graves; amending 72
7 O.S. 2021, Section 165, which relates to the Union
8 Soldiers' Home; describing parcel of real property;
9 authorizing certain real property to be transferred
10 from the Adjutant General to the Oklahoma Department
11 of Veterans Affairs under certain condition and
12 within a certain time frame; repealing 44 O.S. 2021,
13 Section 118, which relates to the Union Soldiers'
14 Home; and declaring an emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 72 O.S. 2021, Section 165, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 165. ~~That the cemetery and graves of soldiers now~~
19 ~~buried on said property be and the same are placed~~ The veterans
20 cemetery known historically as the Union Soldiers Cemetery located
21 on the corner of Northeast 36th Street and Martin Luther King Avenue
22 in Oklahoma City shall remain under the supervision and care of the
23 Adjutant General of the State of Oklahoma until such time as the
24 executive director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs
certifies to the Oklahoma Veterans Commission receipt of such funds
and clear title to property as are necessary to meet the standards

1 established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to
2 designate the property as a State Veterans Cemetery. The title to
3 all property, real and personal included in and with the Union
4 Soldiers Cemetery owned by the Military Department of the State of
5 Oklahoma, being a tract of land in the Northwest Quarter of Section
6 24, Township 12 North, Range 3 West of the Indian Meridian, Oklahoma
7 County, being more particularly described as: beginning at the
8 northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter; thence North 89°30'53"
9 East, along the north line of the Northwest Quarter, a distance of
10 510.00 feet; thence South 00°13'08" East, parallel with the west
11 line of the Northwest Quarter, a distance of 280.00 feet; thence
12 South 89°30'53" West, parallel with the north line of the Northwest
13 Quarter, a distance of 510.00 feet to the west line of the Northwest
14 Quarter; thence North 00°13'08" West, along the west line of the
15 Northwest Quarter, a distance of 280.00 feet to the point of
16 beginning, containing an area of 142,799 square feet or 3.2782
17 acres, more or less, shall be transferred to the Oklahoma Department
18 of Veterans Affairs within ninety (90) days after the certification
19 provided for in this section is executed by the executive director.

20 SECTION 2. REPEALER 44 O.S. 2021, Section 118, is hereby
21 repealed.

22 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
23 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

3 Passed the Senate the 16th day of February, 2022.

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6 Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
8 2022.

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