

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1140

By: Fetgatter of the House

and

Taylor of the Senate

An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S. 2011, Section 5017.7, which relates to the International Protocol Office; modifying references; providing for duties to be performed by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce; providing for duties to be performed by associate; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: State government

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 5017.7, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5017.7 ~~A.~~ ~~The Office of the Oklahoma Secretary of State may create and~~ Department of Commerce shall serve as the Oklahoma Chief International Protocol Office and provide a resource for information concerning proper protocol with regard to international diplomats and officials and shall cooperate with other state agencies already engaged in international relations to facilitate and coordinate government resources for optimal leveraging in achieving the common goal of advancing Oklahoma to the forefront of the global community. ~~The Secretary of State~~ An associate with the Oklahoma Department of Commerce may also serve as the official representative of the Governor to ensure that the growing numbers of international officials traveling to Oklahoma are warmly received and enjoy productive visits to the state. When dealing with international visitors of foreign governments, the ~~Secretary of State~~ associate may greet chiefs of state, heads of

government and other appropriate functionaries, and may provide support to coordinate, arrange and facilitate meetings and other engagements between the Governor and international leaders.

~~B.~~ The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall, for the encouragement of international trade opportunities for Oklahoma businesses, encourage and assist ~~the Office of the Oklahoma Secretary of State in private~~ efforts toward the development of interpersonal relationships between citizens of this state and citizens of other nations.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

Passed the House of Representatives the 2nd day of March, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 13th day of April, 2021.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this _____
day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.
By: _____

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this _____
day of _____, 20_____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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