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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

HOUSE BILL 1055

By: Randleman of the House

and

Stephens of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to definitions and general provisions; designating the Colonial Spanish Mustang/Heritage Horse of Oklahoma as the state horse; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

The Colonial Spanish Mustang/Heritage Horse of Oklahoma has deeply rich ties to the American Indian tribes in the State of Oklahoma. The Colonial Spanish Mustang/Heritage Horse of Oklahoma is a descendant of the horses brought to the Americas in the 1500s by the Spanish conquistadors. The horses brought by the Spanish were pure Spanish Mustangs, a relatively small but tough breed of horse. After the introduction of these horses to American Indian

1 tribes, the horses became essential to the tribes, and they began to
2 rely heavily on them for their travels during times of war and
3 hardship, as well as for hunting. In addition, the American Indian
4 tribes utilized the Colonial Spanish Mustang/Heritage Horse of
5 Oklahoma to traverse the Trail of Tears.

6 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 98.20 of Title 25, unless there
8 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 The Colonial Spanish Mustang/Heritage Horse of Oklahoma, a
10 descendant of the first horses brought to the Americas by the
11 Spanish, is hereby designated and adopted as the state horse of the
12 State of Oklahoma.

13 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.
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15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS,
16 dated 02/25/2021 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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