

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)

HOUSE BILL 2332

By: Steagall

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;  
amending 57 O.S. 2011, Section 504, which relates to  
the Oklahoma Corrections Act of 1967; updating  
format; eliminating certain duty of the State Board  
of Corrections; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 504, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 504. ~~(a)~~ A. The State Board of Corrections shall elect  
from its members a ~~chairman~~ chair, vice ~~chairman~~ chair and a  
secretary. It shall adopt rules and regulations for its government  
and may adopt an official seal for the Department of Corrections.  
Members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses, as provided in the  
State Travel Reimbursement Act, while attending meetings of the  
Board or while performing other official duties.

~~(b)~~ B. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

~~(1)~~ 1. To establish policies for the operation of the  
Department;

1       ~~(2)~~ 2. To establish and maintain such institutions as are  
2 necessary or convenient for the operation of programs for the  
3 education, training, vocational education and rehabilitation of  
4 prisoners under the jurisdiction of the Department;

5       ~~(3)~~ 3. To lease, from time to time, without restriction as to  
6 terms, any property which ~~said~~ the Board shall determine advisable  
7 to more fully carry into effect the operation of prison industries;

8       ~~(4)~~ 4. To acquire, construct, extend, improve, maintain and  
9 operate any and all facilities of all kinds which in the judgment of  
10 the Board shall be necessary or convenient to foster the prison  
11 industries program;

12       ~~(5)~~ 5. To require the Director and any other personnel of the  
13 Department, when deemed necessary by the Board, to give bond for the  
14 faithful performance of their duties;

15       ~~(6) To appoint and fix the salary of the Director;~~

16       ~~(7)~~ 6. To enter into contracts with private prison contractors;  
17 and

18       ~~(8)~~ 7. To provide training to employees of private prison  
19 contractors and other governmental entities on a fee basis.

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

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