

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3232

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to elections; providing for suspension of provisions implementing federal law; providing for certain determination; providing for notification and publication; authorizing promulgation of rules; authorizing modification of certain voting procedures; 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 to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 22-117 of Title 26, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. In the event any federal law, regulation, order, or other official action seeks to substantially modify or supersede any voter registration or election administration laws and procedures duly enacted by the Legislature, that federal law, regulation, order, or other official action shall be applicable only to elections for federal office held in this state.

B. Notwithstanding any federal law, regulation, order, or other official action, the voter registration or election administration

1 laws and procedures duly enacted by the Legislature shall continue
2 to be enforced for all state, county, municipal, and other political
3 subdivision elections held in this state.

4 C. The determination that a federal law, regulation, order, or
5 other official action would substantially modify or supersede the
6 voter registration or election administration laws and procedures
7 duly enacted by the Legislature shall be made by the Attorney
8 General, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the State Election
9 Board. The determination shall be made in writing and shall state
10 the reasons for the determination.

11 D. 1. In the event that such determination is made, no other
12 election authorized by state law shall be conducted on the same date
13 as a regular or special election for federal office.

14 2. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall temporarily
15 modify such election dates and other associated dates and deadlines
16 provided in Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes to ensure that no
17 other election in this state is held on the same date as a special
18 or regular election for federal office. The modification of
19 election dates and other associated dates and deadlines shall remain
20 in effect until the Legislature shall repeal it or shall enact
21 modified election dates and other associated dates and deadlines by
22 law.

23 3. The Secretary of the State Election Board shall notify the
24 Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate,

1 and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives in writing
2 about such modifications and shall publish the same on the website
3 for the State Election Board.

4 4. Persons who register to vote pursuant to federal law,
5 regulation, order, or other official action shall be eligible to
6 vote only in elections for federal office if the voter registration
7 was submitted or otherwise made in a manner not authorized by the
8 laws or procedures duly enacted by the Legislature.

9 E. The Secretary of the State Election Board may promulgate
10 such rules and procedures necessary to implement the provisions of
11 this section.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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