

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3932

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to veterans; amending 72 O.S. 2021, Section 165, which relates to the Union Soldiers Cemetery; providing for transfer of cemetery property to the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs upon certain conditions being met; specifying property description for transfer; establishing timing for transfer; repealing 44 O.S. 2021, Section 118, which relates to the Union Soldiers Home; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

Section 165. ~~That the~~ The veterans cemetery and graves of soldiers
~~now buried on said property be and the same are placed known~~
historically as the Union Soldiers Cemetery located on the southeast
corner of Northeast 36th Street and Martin Luther King Avenue in
Oklahoma City shall remain under the supervision and care of the
Adjutant General of the State of Oklahoma until such time as the
Executive Director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs
certifies to the Oklahoma Veterans Commission receipt of such funds

1 and clear title to property as are necessary to meet the standards
2 established by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to designate
3 the property as a State Veterans Cemetery. The title to all
4 property, real and personal, included in and with the Union Soldiers
5 Cemetery under the supervision and care of the Adjutant General of
6 the State of Oklahoma, owned by the Oklahoma Military Department,
7 and specifically being a tract of land in the Northwest quarter (NW
8 1/4) of Section 24, Township 12 North, Range 3 West of the Indian
9 Meridian, Oklahoma County, being more particularly described as:
10 beginning at the northwest corner of said Northwest quarter (NW
11 1/4); thence North 89°30'53" East, along the north line of said
12 Northwest quarter (NW 1/4), a distance of 510 feet; thence South
13 00°13'08" East, parallel with the west line of said Northwest
14 quarter (NW 1/4), a distance of 280 feet; thence South 89°30'53"
15 West, parallel with the north line of said Northwest quarter (NW
16 1/4), a distance of 510 feet to the west line of said Northwest
17 quarter (NW 1/4); thence North 00°13'08" West, along the west line
18 of said Northwest quarter (NW 1/4), a distance of 280 feet to the
19 point of beginning; and containing an area of 142,799 square feet or
20 3.2782 acres, more or less shall be transferred to the Oklahoma
21 Department of Veterans Affairs within ninety (90) days after the
22 certification provided for in this section is executed by the
23 Executive Director.

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

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

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