

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 519 By: Pugh and Brooks of the  
Senate  
3  
and  
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Echols of the House  
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7 An Act relating to Commissioners of the Land Office;  
amending 64 O.S. 2021, Section 1002, which relates to  
8 powers and authority of the Commissioners; allowing  
the Commissioners to lease certain property to  
9 certain schools; providing an effective date; and  
declaring an emergency.  
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12 AUTHOR: Remove Representative Echols as principal House author and  
substitute with Representative McBride  
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14 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause, and entire bill  
and insert:  
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16 "An Act relating to Commissioners of the Land Office;  
amending 64 O.S. 2021, Section 1093, which relates to  
17 rulemaking; directing Commissioners to hold hearing  
and provide notice to lessees prior to taking certain  
18 action; requiring certain notice for Commissioners'  
interpretation to be binding; providing for public  
19 inspection of interpretation; providing an effective  
date; and declaring an emergency.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

23 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 64 O.S. 2021, Section 1093, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

1       Section 1093. A. The Commissioners of the Land Office are  
2 hereby authorized to make and promulgate appropriate rules and  
3 regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions  
4 of this act.

5       B. Prior to the adoption, amendment, or revocation of any rule  
6 or regulation, the Commissioners of the Land Office shall:

7       1. Schedule and hold a hearing on the proposed adoption,  
8 amendment, or revocation of the rule or regulation at which persons  
9 may present oral argument, data, opinions, and views on the proposed  
10 action; and

11       2. Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled  
12 hearing, mail a copy of the notice, required by the Administrative  
13 Procedures Act to be published in "The Oklahoma Register", directly  
14 to all persons currently leasing land or minerals from the  
15 Commissioners of the Land Office at the time the adoption,  
16 amendment, or revocation of the rule or regulation is proposed. The  
17 notices shall be mailed via United States mail to the last-known  
18 address of each current lessee shown in the records of the  
19 Commissioners of the Land Office.

20       The requirements provided in this subsection shall be in  
21 addition to the requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act.

22       C. No interpretation by the Commissioners of the Land Office of  
23 its rules and regulations shall be binding on any persons affected  
24 by the interpretation, or given deference by any court, unless the

1 interpretation is first published in "The Oklahoma Register" and  
2 direct notice of publication is mailed via United States mail to the  
3 last-known address of all persons currently leasing land or minerals  
4 from the Commissioners of the Land Office at the time the  
5 interpretation is adopted. The Commissioners of the Land Office  
6 shall also make any such interpretations available for public  
7 inspection in its office and on its website.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

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

13 Passed the House of Representatives the 17th day of April, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

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18 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 64 O.S. 2021, Section 1002, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1002. In order that the state school lands may be  
17 administered in a manner to assure their preservation as well as the  
18 appreciation of the trust estate and the maximum return from the use  
19 of state school lands for the support and maintenance of the common  
20 schools of the state, the Commissioners of the Land Office, as  
21 trustees of the state school lands, are hereby authorized and  
22 empowered to:

23 1. Categorize the state school lands as agricultural or  
24 commercial according to the use which the Commissioners of the Land

1 Office determine from time to time to be most beneficial to the  
2 interest of the present and future beneficiaries of the state;

3 2. Sell, at public auction after appraisement, the surface  
4 interest in any state school land categorized by the Commissioners  
5 of the Land Office to be excess or when determined to be in the best  
6 interest of the trust;

7 3. Institute projects to develop and improve those state school  
8 lands which are categorized as commercial lands;

9 4. Acquire by exchange, purchase, gift, or grant all real  
10 property and to acquire by exchange, purchase, gift, or grant all  
11 personal property necessary for the purpose of utilizing trust lands  
12 for the development of commercial and agricultural leases to  
13 maximize trust income for present and future beneficiaries; ~~and~~

14 5. Exchange any real property of the trust for other real  
15 property of equal or greater value to maximize income for present  
16 and future beneficiaries, in accordance with and under the safeguard  
17 of trust requirements; and

18 6. Lease real property to a charter school formed pursuant to  
19 the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act. The Commissioners of the Land  
20 Office shall provide a right of first refusal to a charter school  
21 located in the same county or an adjacent county as the real  
22 property available for lease.

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

Passed the Senate the 6th day of March, 2023.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2023.

Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives