

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1252

By: Burns and Bullard of the
Senate

3 and

4 Humphrey of the House

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7 [state parks - Hugo Lake Park - Oklahoma Tourism and
8 Recreation Department - fiscal operations - tort
9 claims - succession - promulgation of rules -
10 codification - effective date]
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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2229.1C of Title 74, unless
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. By January 1, 2025, all properties held in fee title, lease
17 or otherwise, including interests in land, real estate options, or
18 real estate contracts designated for Hugo Lake Park are hereby
19 transferred to the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department.

20 B. Appropriate conveyances and other documents shall be
21 executed by January 1, 2025, to effectuate the transfer of Hugo Lake
22 Park.

23 C. The Department shall establish appropriate funds and
24 accounts, including a revolving fund in the Office of Management and

1 Enterprise Services, for servicing the fiscal operations of the
2 park. Such funds and accounts shall be subject to the direct
3 supervision, management, and control of the Department.

4 D. The Department shall not be responsible for any claims
5 arising under The Governmental Tort Claims Act accrued prior to
6 January 1, 2025, claims arising from any other actions accrued prior
7 to January 1, 2025, or tort claims arising prior to January 1, 2025,
8 for which no claim has accrued upon the date of transfer. The
9 Department shall not be responsible for any claims arising out of
10 construction begun before January 1, 2025, at Hugo Lake Park.

11 E. 1. The Department shall succeed to any contractual rights
12 and responsibilities of the previous operators of Hugo Lake Park,
13 including but not limited to:

14 a. any responsibilities for payment of rents or other
15 obligations, and

16 b. any responsibilities related to contractual agreements
17 with nonprofit organizations.

18 2. The Department may enter into one or more contracts for
19 management services of the state park. The duties and benefits
20 arising under any contract for management services of any part of
21 the previous operators that is in effect on January 1, 2025, shall
22 be assigned to the Department. The contract may be renewable at the
23 option of the Department but not to exceed a cumulative period of
24 fifty (50) years.

1 F. The Department shall promulgate the rules necessary for the
2 transfer of property from Hugo Lake Park to the Oklahoma state park
3 system.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

5 Passed the Senate the 7th day of March, 2024.

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8 Presiding Officer of the Senate

9 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
10 2024.

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