

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 1144

By: McCall of the House

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4 Treat of the Senate
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7 An Act relating to state government; authorizing the
8 commission of certain peace officers; providing for
9 powers and duties; declaring jurisdiction of
10 officers; providing for suspension or revocation of
11 commission; declaring officers are not employees of
12 the Department of Public Safety; providing for
13 codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 465 of Title 74, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Commissioner of Public Safety may commission as peace
19 officers one member of the security team of the Oklahoma State
20 Senate and one member of the security team of the Oklahoma House of
21 Representatives, provided such commissioned officers must obtain and
22 maintain certification as full-time peace officers pursuant to
23 Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

24 B. Any such commissioned officers are hereby declared to be
peace officers of the State of Oklahoma and shall be so deemed and

1 taken in all courts having jurisdiction of offenses against the laws
2 of the state. Such commissioned officers shall have the powers and
3 authority now and hereafter vested by law in other peace officers,
4 including the power of arrest, enforcement of the criminal laws of
5 this state, search and seizure, and the authority for serving or
6 execution of civil process.

7 C. The jurisdiction of such commissioned officers shall include
8 all powers of arrest granted to the sergeant at arms as set forth in
9 Section 773 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, but the
10 jurisdiction of such commissioned officers shall otherwise be
11 limited to the Capitol building, grounds, and parking lots described
12 in Sections 15.1 and 15.3 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

13 D. Any commission issued by the Commissioner pursuant to this
14 section shall be subject to all requirements set forth by the
15 Commissioner, and the Commissioner may limit the power and scope of
16 the commission. Further, the Commissioner may suspend or revoke the
17 commission for any reason, and the commission shall be deemed
18 terminated upon the commissioned officer's separation of service or
19 reassignment to another position outside the security team of their
20 respective bodies.

21 E. Such commissioned officers shall not be deemed to be
22 officers, agents, or employees of the Department of Public Safety,
23 and no action or omission by such commissioned officers shall be
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1 deemed to be an action or omission of the Department of Public
2 Safety.

3 SECTION 2. 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.

7 Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of March, 2023.

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10 Presiding Officer of the House
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12 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2023.

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