

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1734

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to conduct of elections; prohibiting certain officials from using certain public service announcements and advertisements within certain time period; providing exceptions; 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 7-140 of Title 26, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, no elected official within three (3) months prior to an election in which the elected official's name will appear on the ballot shall use or allow to be used the official's name, image, likeness, or voice in a public service announcement or in an advertisement or other promotional message created or purchased using public funds.

B. Nothing in this section shall apply during a declared state disaster or emergency. For purposes of this section a "declared state disaster or emergency" means an event:

1 1. For which a Governor's state of emergency proclamation has
2 been issued;

3 2. For which a Presidential Declaration of a Federal Major
4 Disaster or Emergency has been issued; or

5 3. Other disasters or emergency events within the state for
6 which a good faith response effort is required and for which another
7 authorized official of the state designates such event as a disaster
8 or emergency.

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

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