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Research Analysis

SB 1384 modifies appointment procedures for the Oklahoma Veterans Commission.

It is no longer required for one member to be a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict, or two be veterans of the Persian Gulf Wars. Members of the commission will be appointed by the Governor under the advice and consent of the Senate and will serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Governor will appoint six members from lists of names provided by the following veteran's organizations:

- American Legion
- Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States
- Disabled American Veterans
- Military Order of Purple Heart
- National Guard Association of Oklahoma

The organizations must present three nominees to the Governor by March 1, with terms commencing and concluding on July 1 of each year. Alongside nominations, organizations must furnish a certificate of good standing, tax returns, and a statement outlining their mission and services. The bill eliminates the necessity for financial and performance audits.

One of the three appointees must have served in the military post-September 11, 2001. Failure to comply permits the Governor to appoint a replacement member. Vacancies on the Commission are to be filled according to specified procedures, allowing for interim appointments if the nominee meets the required qualifications and fills a vacant position.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure as written should not create a fiscal impact for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

