

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 433

By: Boren

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce; amending 74 O.S. 2021, Section 5017.1, which relates to federal energy conservation programs; requiring Department to publish and annually update certain information; providing contents of certain published information; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2021, Section 5017.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5017.1. A. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall have the authority to establish, administer and enforce state and federal energy conservation programs including, but not limited to, implementing The Energy Conservation Act of 1975 (P.L. 94-163), National Energy Extension Service Act (P.L. 95-39, 42 U.S.C. Section 7001 et seq.) and the National Conservation Policy Act (P.L. 95-619), except as otherwise provided by law.

B. The Energy Conservation Services Division of the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission is hereby abolished. All personnel, equipment, files, fixtures, funds, furniture, publications and

1 supplies, and all duties, functions, authority and contractual  
2 obligations that relate to the Energy Conservation Services Division  
3 of the ~~Oklahoma~~ Corporation Commission are hereby transferred to and  
4 vested in the ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of ~~Commerce~~.

5 C. Employees transferred to the ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of ~~Commerce~~  
6 shall be classified and subject to the provisions of the Merit  
7 System of Personnel Administration as provided for in the Oklahoma  
8 Personnel Act. The salaries, grade and/or class of the employees  
9 transferred shall be adjusted to be commensurate with comparable  
10 positions in the ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of ~~Commerce~~.

11 D. The full-time-equivalent employee positions funded through  
12 the federal energy conservation programs outlined in this section  
13 shall terminate upon the exhaustion of ~~said~~ the federal funding.

14 E. The Department shall make publicly available on its website,  
15 to be updated annually, information related to federal energy  
16 efficiency incentive programs. The information provided shall  
17 include, but not be limited to:

18 1. Information regarding ongoing programs for individual  
19 households, multi-family housing, and any other energy efficiency  
20 programs;

21 2. Information related to Oklahoma businesses that are  
22 promoting and implementing energy efficiency incentive programs; and

23 3. Any other information that would promote public awareness  
24 and adoption of any available energy efficiency program.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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