

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

POLICY COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION

FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2471

By: Hill

POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

An Act relating to labor; amending Section 4, Chapter 361, O.S.L. 2023 (40 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 903), which relates to the Oklahoma Workforce Commission; modifying the number of members; detailing specific members; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 361, O.S.L. 2023 (40 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 903), is amended to read as follows:

Section 903. A. The Oklahoma Workforce Commission shall consist of ~~nine (9)~~ fifteen (15) members. The ~~nine~~ fifteen (15) members shall ~~be~~ consist of the following listed public officials and private sector leaders conducting business in this state:

1. Lieutenant Governor;
2. Labor Commissioner;
3. Adjutant General;

1 4. State Superintendent of Public Instruction;

2 5. Director of the Department of Career and Technology

3 Education;

4 6. Chancellor of Higher Education;

5 7. Three members to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore
6 of the Senate;

7 ~~2.~~ 8. Three members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House
8 of Representatives; and

9 ~~3.~~ 9. Three members to be appointed by the Governor, one of
10 whom shall be designated by the Governor to serve as chair of the
11 Commission.

12 B. The members of the Commission shall be qualified electors of
13 this state ~~and shall not be employed by any government entity or~~
14 ~~have been employed by a government entity within the preceding one-~~
15 ~~year period.~~

16 C. For the initial appointments of Commissioners, each
17 appointing authority shall make one appointment for a one-year term,
18 one appointment for a two-year term, and one appointment for a
19 three-year term. Thereafter, the terms of the Commissioners shall
20 be for three (3) years. Commissioners may be appointed to
21 subsequent terms without limit as to number.

22 D. Vacancies on the Commission shall be filled for the
23 unexpired term of office in the same manner as the original
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1 appointment. The appointed members shall serve at the pleasure of
2 the appointing authorities.

3 E. In addition to the chair appointed by the Governor, the
4 Commission may establish and elect additional officers by a majority
5 vote of the Commissioners. The chair shall preside over meetings of
6 the Commission and officers shall perform duties as may be required
7 by the Commission. The first meeting of the Commission shall be
8 called by the chair no later than sixty (60) days after the
9 effective date of this act.

10 F. No member of the Commission shall receive a salary for
11 duties performed as a member of the Commission; however, members are
12 eligible to receive reimbursement for expenses and travel
13 reimbursement as provided for in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

14 G. Members serving on the Commission shall be eligible to serve
15 on any other state board or commission if such member is otherwise
16 qualified to hold such appointed office, notwithstanding the
17 provisions of Section 6 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

18 H. A quorum of ~~five~~ eight members shall be required to conduct
19 official business of the Commission.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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